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1. Spending Time Alone In The Power Of The Spirit **(v23)**

Galatians 1

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16 ...I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood,

17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

18 Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days.

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Jon Courson, Application Commentary

Paul took off for the desert, where he enrolled in a three-year course taught by the Holy Spirit on how every symbol, every sacrifice, every picture in the Old Testament related to the Person of Jesus Christ.

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2 Corinthians 11

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32 In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me;

33 but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands.

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2. Sneaking Away In The Power Of The Spirit
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Thomas Constable, Expository Notes Of Dr. Constable

The fact that Paul did not minimize this undignified exit in his writings says a lot for his humility and the transformation that God had affected in this once self-righteous Pharisee.

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2. Sneaking Away In The Power Of The Spirit (v24-25)

Saul would indeed know divine protection in the midst of persecution, but he would also learn that God's deliverance often comes in humble ways. There is nothing triumphant about sneaking out of a city by night hiding in a large basket!

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3. Trying And Failing In The Power Of The Spirit **(v26)**

At first, the believers in the Jerusalem church were afraid of him. Saul “kept trying” (literal Greek) to get into their fellowship, but they would not accept him.

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

It no doubt hurt, but he understood that the disciples in Jerusalem would long remember the Christians Saul had killed and persecuted. If the disciples in Jerusalem might lack a little in love, Saul would add a little more love to make up for it.

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4. Vouching For People In The Power Of The Spirit **(v27-28)**

Acts 4

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36 And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the apostles (which is translated Son of Encouragement), a Levite of the country of Cyprus,

37 having land, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

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Barnabas pointed out three indications that Saul's conversion was genuine for the benefit of the Christian skeptics: Saul had seen the Lord, he had talked with Him, and he had witnessed (spoken out) boldly in Damascus in Jesus' name.

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5. Going Home In The Power Of The Spirit **(v29-30)**

Acts 22

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17 "Now it happened, when I returned to Jerusalem and was praying in the temple, that I was in a trance

18 and saw Him saying to me, 'Make haste and get out of Jerusalem quickly, for they will not receive your testimony concerning Me.'

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6. Settling Down In The Power Of The Spirit (v31)

It was a time of “peace” for the churches, but not a time of complacency, for they grew both spiritually and numerically. They seized the opportunity to repair and strengthen their sails before the next storm began to blow!

Jon Courson, Application Commentary

The man who would turn the world upside down-the most important preacher of all time, the most powerful person who has ever lived except for the Lord Jesus Christ-had to first experience shut doors, shut doors, shut doors, and ten years of sitting in Tarsus while the Lord reworked and rewired him.

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