

Where's Your Chair?

Acts 9 10-22



God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.
Psalm 67:1-2

Praising:

Light of the minds that know him,
may Christ be light to mine!
My sun in risen splendour,
my light of truth divine;
my guide in doubt and darkness,
my true and living way,
my clear light ever shining,
my dawn of heaven's day.

Reading:

Acts 9:10-22

God sends Ananias to
commission Saul

Ananias is nervous. As a member of the Christian community which Saul had gone to Damascus to round up, Ananias probably feared he was walking into an ambush. Yet what flows from the moment Ananias lays his hands on Saul and calls him brother, proves conclusively for Ananias

that the voice he heard is God's and God's alone. What Ananias cannot begin to see at this point, is that he is playing an essential bit-part in the history of the world Church. What Saul cannot begin to see, is that God will take control of Saul and put him to use in building up the very faith he had been so energetically knocking down. How it felt for Saul to receive healing at the hands of one of the people he had been intent on attacking, we can only imagine.

Listening:

Praying:

Lord help us see the good we can do for you in the small things

- that we may consecrate every seemingly inconsequential task to your glory
- that in spite of what's routine and mundane we may know your holy encouragement
- that after we do our part you will raise up others to take your purposes forward

Father: I think of life in terms of the parts that are for me and the parts that are for you. Show me what can happen when I see that all of it is for you. Always has been, always will be. Amen

Doing:

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