

# **GOD CHOOSES HIS INSTRUMENTS TO CARRY HIS NAME TO THE WORLD**

## **BIG TRUTH: GOD CHOOSES HIS INSTRUMENTS TO CARRY HIS NAME TO THE WORLD**

Romans 1:1-2; Galatians 1:15; Ephesians 3:7; Colossians 1:25

### **BIBLE VERSE: ACTS 9:15**

*“But the Lord said to him, ‘Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.’”*

### **BIG IDEAS**

- We are undeserving of God’s calling on our lives.
- God commissions us.
- God desires His name to go out to all the world.

### **BIBLE PASSAGE: ACTS 9:1-18**

### **KNEEL: LIVING ON MISSION**

The Kneel Year is an exploration of what it means to worship God with our all (Luke 10:26-28) and to use our influence to lead others to do the same. We know that as we pursue a life of worship, we will pursue a life of both wisdom and mission. Throughout this year we will study and pursue the wisdom of God through the book of Proverbs and the mission of God through the book of Acts, and we will learn how both of these things must inform and shape our influence as Jesus followers!

### **SERIES AIMS**



#### **Every student should know...**

- The gospel has the power to turn the world upside down.
- They are empowered and chosen to be a gospel witness in the world.
- Our salvation has come by grace alone.



#### **Every student should feel...**

- Comfort that the Lord is with them wherever they go.
- Hope in the God of salvation.
- Responsible to use their influence to live for Jesus alone.



#### **Every student should strive to...**

- Read, study, and meditate on the entire book of Acts.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.
- Pray consistently for boldness to make Jesus known.



#### **Every student should want...**

- To pursue faithfulness in living on mission.
- To share the gospel with people in their lives who do not know Jesus.
- To sacrifice their personal freedoms for the sake of the gospel

### **FAMILY WORKOUT:**

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter what it means to be chosen by God. We will pray with them to have a willing heart to carry His name anywhere in the world. We will lead them to practice telling others about Him.

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**Read Acts 9:1-18 and make notes in your journal. Answer the questions below in your journal as well:**

- Read Acts 9:1-3. Make a list of Saul's characteristics you notice from these verses.
- What does it mean to be a "chosen instrument"?
- How does God use Ananias to help commission Saul? How does God use other believers to help commission His people?
- What is significant about God's calling of Saul?

**Read and meditate on Acts 9:1-18 this week. Use these questions to guide your meditation:**

- Ponder how to discuss with your son or daughter what it means to be chosen by God. How can you model for them what it looks like to be chosen and commissioned?
- Consider how to discuss with your son or daughter what it looks like to help commission other believers.
- Ponder how to lead your son or daughter to carry the gospel to all the world.



**Pray with your son or daughter this week.**

- Ask God to equip them and use them to carry His name to all the world.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask God to give them a desire to carry His name to all the world.



**Memorize Acts 9:15 with your son or daughter this week.**

- Write the verse on an index card. Review it every day to help them remember it.
- Discuss with your son or daughter some of the places you're hesitant to go to in the world. Discuss the reasons why. Next, discuss some of the places your son or daughter is hesitant to go. Work through their reasons. Commit to pray through these reasons together to be a family who is willing to carry God's name everywhere.
- Meet with your student to give them at least two ways he or she can carry out their commissioning in the local church. Help them see ways to fulfill their chosen purpose in the local church.