

Saul zealously tried to follow the laws God gave to Moses. But he didn't know God's Son, Jesus, as his Savior. Then, one day, on the road to the city of Damascus, Saul's heart and mind were changed toward Jesus. He was changed forever and became Paul, a man with a new passion and a new mission for helping people to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior and only way to heaven. He shared with them "the heart of the gospel."

### We are all sinners. Romans 3:23, 5:12

- How many commandments do you have to break to be a sinner? **1**!
- The problem is bigger than what a person does, the problem is what a person *is*.
- Until you *admit* that your sin is bad news, you will never grasp the good news.
- God didn't give us what we deserve eternal *death*, He gave us an incredible free gift eternal life!

### Eternal life is a *gift*. Romans 6:23

• Titus 1:2 states that God, who cannot lie, promised *you* eternal life, even before the world began.

# Anyone can *change*. Romans 12:2

- If the powerful light of Jesus Christ can cause Paul to see through the darkness to the truth, can it do the same for us and others? **Yes**!
- Only a relationship with Jesus and adherence to the *Bible* can produce lasting change.

### Jesus died for our sins so we could be *saved*. Romans 5:8

- The fellowship with God that was broken off by Adam's sin has been restored by Jesus Christ's sacrifice on the *cross*. He took the full payment (wages) of our sin!
- The gospel is the *only* answer to the problem of sin, sorrow, and death.

### Nothing *separates* us from God's love. Romans 8:38-39

• Don't ever get the idea that salvation is probation. God saves you by His grace and *keeps* you by His grace.

## The gospel of Christ is worth *sharing*. Romans 1:16

• What do you do with good news? You *tell* it.

#### The year is 2009. It's your time!

(your name), what's your passion? What's your mission? What will you do with the gospel of Jesus Christ?