

**SCRIPTURE
TEXT:**

**ACTS
8:1A, 3; 9:1-3;
26:1-26**

“Now **Saul** was consenting to his [Stephen’s] death...
....As for **Saul**, he made havoc of the church, entering every house, and dragging off men and women, committing them to prison.”

Acts 8:1a, 3

“Then **Saul**, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of THE LORD, went to the high priest
and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, ”

Acts 9:1-2a

“...so that if he found any who were of THE WAY, whether men or women, he might bring them
bound to Jerusalem.

As he journeyed, he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven.”

Acts 9:2b-3

**SERMON
TITLE:**

**“GOD HAS
A BRIGHTER
LIGHT!”**

KEY BIBLICAL LOCATIONS:

[#1-2] => EDEN & UR

[#3-4] => JERICHO & **NINEVEH**

[#5-6] => MTS. MORIAH & NEBO

[#7-8] => BETHLEHM & NAZARETH

[#9-10] => CALVARY & **DAMASCUS**

[#11-12] => ROME & CORINTH

[#13-14] => ANTIOCH & PATMOS

SERMONIC POINTS:

[#1] => PERSECUTION

[#2] => PRODDING

[#3] => PURPOSE

PERSECUTION

“WE ALL WILL EXPERIENCE SOME LEVEL OF ATTACK OR PERSECUTION!”

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Acts 8:1a, 3

PRODDING

“GOD MIGHT BE PRODDING YOU TO GET YOU IN LINE!”

“...Then THE LORD said,
‘I am JESUS, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’ ”

Acts 9:5

SERMONIC PNT. #3:

PURPOSE

“GOD’S DIVINE CALL & PURPOSE AWAITS YOU!”

“But rise and stand on your feet: for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to make you a minister and a witness...and of the things which I will yet reveal.”

Acts 26:16