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STUDIES IN THE BOOK OF ACTS

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Read Acts 9:1-19 (again)

What stands out to you about Saul and his experience in this passage?

How would you define mercy? Do a search for other verses that talk about mercy and see how they influence your definition.

The sermon discussed some of the different ways mercy shows up, sometimes even in the guise of discomfort, disruption and disorientation. Have you ever seen that? How did something so trying prove to be a mercy for you?

Paul's blindness lasted 3 days. What sensations go along with being in the dark? How might that time have been a mercy to Paul?

While there may be mercy for us that comes out of difficult circumstances, it is rarely comforting or helpful to point that out to someone as they are going through a trial. How can we best embody the mercy of Christ and come alongside people who are suffering?

Ananias needed his own sight healed to no longer see Paul as an enemy to be feared but as God's chosen instrument. Invite God to remove the scales from your own eyes to see the potential in those who seem too far gone for God to reach.