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## Sermon Discussion Questions

*"I thought I Knew You"*

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Have you ever known someone really well, who then does something totally surprising? Can people change from their familiar history? Relationships can become familiar but can also dynamically change. That can also be true of our knowing of God. We all need a fresh revelation of God. Although He does not change, our experience of relationship with Him must be renewed every morning.

### Acts 9:5

And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" And He said, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting,

1. Consider the radical change Saul experienced on the road to Damascus. Saul thought he knew God, but had a radical change when he had an encounter with Jesus
  - a. Describe your encounter with Jesus. How did that change you?
  - b. Saul was a highly qualified Jew yet did not recognize the voice of the Lord. How has the Lord spoken to you in the past? What ways does he speak?
  - c. Does God use our lowest points to teach us how to know Him better?

Whenever there is a visual experience of God, the Word always follows. God uses the visual events to catch our attention. The word explains not just the event, but the reason for the event. Moses saw the burning bush and "turned to the burn". See, step up, act is the appropriate response to a revelation of Jesus that transforms you.

2. Those that accompanied Saul were confused, had an experience, but did not hear the voice of God. There is no indication that the event changed them.
  - a. Have you had a dramatic experience that other people don't seem to grasp with the same excitement that you have? Why do you think that is so?
  - b. Signs don't necessarily result in change. They point to a direction that requires moving in that direction. Give a testimony of how an encounter changed the direction of your life. What did you do that made the change?

- c. Saul became blind. That caused him to re-evaluate everything. Who am I, what am I, where am I going? His attitude moved from I thought I knew you, to I need to know you. Read Philippians 3:10. How can we pursue knowing Him?
  
- d. Saul's companions were changed from weapons to witnesses. What are some of the different reactions your acquaintances had to a life changing event in your life?