

Sermon Starter – Stepping Out in Faith

Acts 9:1-20

Scripture reading:

Ken Medema has written a story song based on this text—perhaps someone in your congregation would be willing to sing the scripture this morning! See www.kenmedema.com and search “Sittin’ by the Window Prayin’” to order the sheet music.

Sermon notes:

Where are we, like Saul, blinded by tradition or habit? In what ways is God trying to get our attention? We need to be open and ready for new and surprising tasks. Then, like Ananias, we will be willing to say, “Here I am, Lord.” This doesn’t mean that we won’t question the task, but our reservations won’t prevent us from stepping out in faith to share the love of Jesus. As you prepare your sermon, focus on a social issue that has particular significance in your community, and the ways God may be inviting your congregation to step out in faith to respond to it.

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