Acts 9 – Saul's Conversion

CHARACTERS: Jesus, Saul, Ananias
COSTUMES: Biblical
PROPS: none specified
SETTING: road
RUN TIME: 2 minutes
SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Acts 9
FK reading level: 4.6

Saul's Conversion

At rise: Lights are at 1/3 to ½ on stage. Saul and companions enter from stage right. They cross and as they reach center stage, a bright light flashes. Saul falls to the ground holding his eyes. The rest shield their eyes then look about in confusion. JESUS appears.

JESUS: Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?

SAUL: Who are you, Lord?

JESUS: I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.

Companions help Saul to his feet and lead him to a chair stage left. Instead of sitting, he kneels and prays. Lights down stage right and up full stage left where ANANIAS is praying.

JESUS: Ananias!

ANANIAS: Yes, Lord.

JESUS: Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight.

ANANIAS: Lord, I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name.

JESUS: Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name. *ANANIAS arises and crosses to Saul, placing his hands on him.*

ANANIAS: Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit..

SAUL: I can see! I can see!

ANANIAS: Arise and be baptized and wash away your sins.

LEADER: Saul began preaching that Jesus is the Son of God.

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ALL: proving that Jesus is the Messiah.

LEADER: When he came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him

ALL: not believing that he really was a disciple.

LEADER: Barnabas told them how the Lord had spoken to Saul

ALL: Then the church enjoyed a time of peace

ALL: It was strengthened and increased in numbers.

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