## THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

From Persecutor to Persecuted | Acts 9:23-31



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**The Main Point**: As the church is built up, persecution is inevitable—but so is the ministry of the Spirit.

- Saul's flees Damascus (vss. 23-35)
- Saul in Jerusalem (vss. 26-30)
  - "we're not buying it" (vs. 26)
  - Enter the Son of Encouragement (vs. 27)
  - The results of a faithful character witness (vs. 28)
  - Taking up the banner of Stephen (vs. 29)
  - Saul flees Jerusalem (vs. 30)

Acts in Action | Boldness or Bravado?



