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1:1 Part 1

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Acts 7:58
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Acts 8:1-3
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It is better to offend someone
with the truth about the way to
heaven than to keep the peace by
avoiding the truth.

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Matthew 17:2

“And he was transfigured before them, and his
face shone like the sun, and his clothes became
white as light.”

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Acts 26:14-18

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God made Paul willing to serve at
the moment of salvation.

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Most of the results of your work for
God will not be known by you on
this side of heaven.

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Do you ever wonder if God hears your
prayers?

*The very same Jesus that heard Paul's prayers
that day hears yours every
time you pray.*

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What had Paul done
to deserve salvation or appointment by
God to be an apostle?

Nothing.

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Paul did not deserve salvation. I do
not deserve salvation. You do not
deserve salvation. No one deserves
salvation. In fact, if you think you
deserved salvation, most likely you
are not saved.

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Paul was saved by the pure
undeserved, unmerited, grace of
God, the same way anyone is saved.

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Ephesians 2:8-10

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

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2 Corinthians 11:23-27

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Many have been fooled into thinking that becoming a Christian means that everything is going to be perfect now, then when pain, hardship, persecution, suffering comes their whole view of Christianity crumbles.

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You may or may not ever know the reason for your suffering, or how God is using it to shape you or even others around you. But even in the middle of the pain, and sorrow, we must realize that God is still in control.

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2 Corinthians 4:8-9

“We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed”

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For the Pharisee of Pharisees to submit to Christian baptism revealed that he had been radically changed.

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Matthew 26:63-67

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The one who had come to destroy those
“belonging to the Way,” was now
“belonging to the Way” and proclaiming
that Jesus truly is the only Way.

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Series: Colossians

Sermon: Colossians 1:1 Part 1

1. Why would it be important for Paul to acknowledge that it was God who made him an apostle?

2. What were the criteria used for the 11 remaining Apostles to pick someone to replace Judas? See Acts 1: 21-22

3. Paul is fully aware of the fact that his call to be an apostle was unusual. How does he describe such a call in 1 Corinthians 15:3-10?

4. Many people claim to have had Jesus appear to them throughout church history. Some such appearances leading to an entirely false religion being formed, like Mormonism. In 1 Corinthians 15:5-8 does Paul seem to teach that Christians should expect personal appearances of the resurrected Christ?

5. Read Galatians 1:13-16 how does Paul easily speak of the sovereignty of God in his salvation?

B. How does this differ from the way many people describe their salvation today?

6. Think of how you could word your salvation story to better give God the glory as Paul did?
