

Sermon Notes

I. Introduction

- **Title: The Gospel Spreading Puzzle**
- **Passage: Acts 26**
- **Key Theme: God's sovereignty in using every believer to spread the Gospel.**

II. Key Themes and Discussions

A. God Works Through Circumstances

- **Paul's Trial: Paul uses his imprisonment and trial before King Agrippa as an opportunity to share the Gospel (Acts 26:1-3).**
- **Divine Sovereignty: God orchestrates circumstances to provide opportunities for Gospel witness, even in challenging situations.**

B. The Transforming Power of Jesus

- **Paul's Testimony: Once a persecutor, Paul was transformed by encountering Jesus (Acts 26:9-18).**
- **Application: God's transformative power is for everyone, no matter their past (2 Peter 3:9).**

C. Bold Proclamation of the Gospel

- **Paul's Defense: Paul speaks boldly about Jesus' resurrection and the promise of salvation (Acts 26:19-23).**
- **Importance of Scripture: Paul relies on the Old Testament to validate his message, emphasizing the necessity of knowing and sharing God's Word.**

D. Obedience in Sharing the Gospel

- **Paul's Response: Despite opposition, Paul obeys God's call to spread the Gospel to Jews and Gentiles (Acts 26:17-20).**
- **Challenge to Believers: Elder Ron encourages believers to embrace their role in God's plan, knowing their "puzzle piece" is vital.**

III. Conclusion

- **Reflection: Are you willing to let God use your life to complete His Gospel puzzle?**
- **Encouragement: Trust God's sovereignty, live boldly, and share the Gospel wherever He places you.**

Scriptural References

- **Acts 26:1-32**

- **2 Peter 3:9**
- **Psalm 22, Isaiah 53 (prophecies of the suffering Messiah)**
- **2 Timothy 3:16 (importance of Scripture)**