**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**ACTS – LESSON 26**

**Acts 26:1-32**

1. What was a new thought to you from last week’s lesson or lecture?

2. Why did Paul consider himself fortunate to stand before King Agrippa?

3. Paul recounted his personal life in verses 4 and 5. He also revealed facts about himself in Philippians 3:5, 6. From those verses, indicate which statements are true or false.

 \_\_\_\_\_ Jew by birth \_\_\_\_\_ a Sadducee

 \_\_\_\_\_ tribe of Benjamin \_\_\_\_\_ persecutor of the church

4. a. In Acts 26:6, what reason did Paul give as to why he was on trial?

 b. From the following Scriptures, what was the promise made by God to the fathers?

 Isaiah 9:6

 Jeremiah 23:5

5. a. What question did Paul ask in Acts 26:8?

 b. Share your thoughts on limitations people try to place on God today.

6. Once again Paul admitted publicly his former persecution of the church in verses 9-11. How does knowing Paul was chosen for great service in spite of his background encourage or comfort you?

7. a. From verse 13, describe the light Paul saw on the way to Damascus.

 b. Paul told King Agrippa of his conversion experience. Share yours briefly.

 c. Relate a time when you “saw the light” regarding God’s direction in your life.

8. a. What do you think it means to “kick against the goads?” (vs. 14)

 b. Is there anything in your life that resists total surrender to Jesus? Consider Matthew 16:24. What does it mean specifically to you to:

 deny self

 take up your cross

 follow Jesus

9. a. Paul was commissioned to tell the good news of forgiveness and sanctification by faith in Jesus to Jews and Gentiles. (vs. 16-19) How had Paul been obedient to do that from these Scriptures?

 Romans 1:16, 17

 1 Corinthians 9:22, 23

 2 Corinthians 5:18-21

 b. From Acts 26:20, in obedience to his commission, where did Paul go and what did he do?

 c. How did the Jews react?

10. a. Fill in verse 22. “But I have had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to this very day . . .”

 b. Share a circumstance in your life that makes that a true statement for you also.

11. What did Paul, the prophets, and Moses say about Christ in Acts 26:23?

12. a. Of what was Paul accused by Festus?

 b. What was Paul’s answer?

13. a. “Now is the day of salvation.” (2 Corinthians 6:2) What question did Paul ask King Agrippa?

 b. What sort of direct questions do you ask people when you talk to them about Jesus?

 c. What was Paul’s sincere prayer for all who were listening?

14. What was the private judgment both Festus and King Agrippa agreed upon?

15. Paul was in chains but his heart was free. Conversely, what could you say about Festus and King Agrippa?