

GOD HAS BIG PLANS FOR YOU January 3, 2021 // Larry Vold, Guest Speaker www.cpcdanville.org

## Recognizing God's big plans for us begins the moment we surrender to Him.

Our guest speaker, Larry Vold, is the Pastor of Spiritual Care at 3Crosses Church. Larry reminds us that God has great plans for us. Although, often we have a tendency to let our apprehensions dictate our level of involvement in God's plans for us.

## Recognizing God's big plans for us begins the moment we surrender to Him.

Our surrender will likely include three phases: 1. The disruption phase. 2. The discovery phase. 3. The discipleship phase.

### 1. READ Acts 9:1-9.

- a. What were Saul's original plans for his life, and how was his life disrupted?
- b. What apprehensions do you think he had and what did he discover?
- c. How did God's plan for Paul (Saul) transform him and affect others?

# We have a tendency to let our apprehensions dictate our level of involvement in God's plans for us.

### 2. **READ Acts 9:10-19**.

- a. What do you think were Ananias' original plans for his life, and how was his life disrupted?
- b. What apprehensions do you think he had and what did he discover?
- c. How did God's plan for Ananias transform him and affect others?

God's big plans are about how he chooses to use us and what it will cost to follow Him. No matter what it costs to follow Jesus, it will be worth it.

The Bible has a lot to say about us, but it's not about us—it's about the God who saves.

# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1. When have you experienced a disruption in your life?
- 2. What have you discovered as a result of a disruption?
- 3. What apprehensions do you have that often dictate your level of involvement in God's plans for you?
- 4. What decision will you make today that will allow you to be fully used by God in 2021?

**COMMIT TO MEMORY**–"Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Here are some additional scriptures shared during the message.

Jonah 1:1-3

Romans 10:15/Isaiah 52:7

Mathew 28:19

John 20:21

Acts 1:8

2 Timothy 3:12

Matthew 24:9

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Romans 8:18

2 Corinthians 4:16-18.