

# WHO AM I? & WHY AM I HERE?

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## I. Acts 26:12-18

### A. V14 - Saul rejecting the LORD

1. **Persecuting** - *dioko* - To pursue, to flee; intense effort and with definite purpose or goal. To organize a program to persecute or harass people.
2. **Kick against the goads** - Rebellion against lawful authority, causing greater difficulty.

### B. V15 - Saul recognizes the LORD

1. **Lord** - *kurios* - Title for God or Jesus; Supreme in authority, title of respect for one who rules or exercises authority over others.

### C. V16 - Directive of purpose

1. **Rise** - *anistemi* - To come into existence, assuming a place or position.
2. **Stand** - *histemi* - Continue in your place in spite of resistance; Firmly planted & established
  - a) Col 2:6-7
  - b) Ps 92:12-14
3. **Appeared** - *optanomai* - To be seen by or to be visible to; something remarkable
4. **Purpose** - Planned in advance, put in place before hand.
5. **Minister** - *huperetes* - under oarsman, subordinate; assistant or servant acting under the direction of another.
6. **Witness** - *martus* - One who testifies from personal knowledge; gives evidence; martyr
  - a) 1 Cor 2:4-5
  - b) 1 Thess 1:5
7. **Minister and Witness of 2 Things:**
  - a) **Things you have seen** - *eido* - Fullness of knowledge, know completely.
    - (1) **Past** - Things you know and are familiar with, your experience
  - b) **Things which I will yet reveal to you** - *optanomai* - Things you don't currently know but I will show you. Things that are there and available but you are not aware of them.
    - (1) **Future** - New things that you don't know and are not familiar with
    - (2) 1 Cor 2:9-10

### D. V18 - Desired Result of Purpose

1. **To Open their eyes** - Speaks of blindness, cannot see where they are going; unable to discern or judge
  - a) Eph 4:17-18

