GOD HAS SOMETHING FOR YOU TO DO

Acts 9:1-6

Introduction: Wouldn't it be just wonderful to be able to stand face to face with the Lord Jesus and ask Him what you could do for Him? Well, Paul got to do just that. (Text) He first asked Jesus who He was, then he asked Him, what do you want me to do? Just as Jesus had something for Paul (Saul) to do, He has something for everyone of us, who are His followers, to do as well.

I. GOD IS GOD AND ALWAYS HAS SOMETHING GOING ON

- 1. Nothing is going to stop God from doing what He has in mind.
- 2. There are certain things God wants us to do, such as love, be honest, be kind and such but there are things God doesn't want us to do such as lie, steal, murder, be prideful, etc.
- 3. God has something special for each of us to do which He doesn't want anybody else to do, each of us has been chosen to do something for God.
 - God loves us therefore is interested in us and knows each of us even to the hairs on our heads.
 - God has a plan for each of our lives and wants to guide us through our lives.
- 4. Sometimes we get wrong ideas about God's will:
 - We may think that somehow God is going to show us everything at once what He has in mind.
 - Some think that doing what God wants does not permit anybody from enjoying life, being happy.
 - There are some who think that they are special and that God speaks only to "super" Christians.
 - Some think that they have to have an experience like Paul on the roadside, not some still, small voice, but a life changing, exciting experience in order for God to speak to them.
 - Then there are those who think that God only wants to use us while we are young, therefore God uses only the younger people and if they didn't hear/obey God's call when they were young that God can't/won't use them anymore.
 - Some think that they have to hunt for God's will for He has hidden it somewhere and we have to search, pray, search, wait, etc., and God will finally reveal His will to us.

II. GOD WANTS TO GUIDE US WHILE WE DO WHAT HE WANTS US TO DO

- 1. In order for God to be able to guide us, we have first got to be willing to do what He wants us to do.
 - Paul was immediately ready to do what God wanted of him.
 - Often we already have our plans made and what God has in mind is not what we have in mind.
 - If we want God's help in doing what He wants, then we must be willing to listen and "adjust."
- 2. To allow God to guide us in doing His will for our lives, we have got to be "meek." We must be "teachable," not think that we already know how to do everything.
- 3. God is already trying to get our attention, to speak to us, so we need to earnestly, sincerely spend time in prayer asking God to guide us. We need to learn how to "report" for duty, be ready at any time.

- 4. If God is going to guide us while we do what He wants us to do, then we must be yielded to His way.We must be ready to do what He says, even though it might seem different or strange.
 - If God loves us and wants us to do something for Him, then we must let go and let God use us.

III. SOME WAYS THAT GOD USES TO SHOW US WHAT HE WANTS US TO DO

- 1. What happened to Saul/Paul on the roadside was nothing short of a miracle. So sometimes God uses the extraordinary, miracles, dreams, visions, voices, abnormal things/ways to tell us what to do.
- 2. Usually God uses His Word, the Bible to show us what we are to do for Him. If you ever wonder what God might have in mind for you to be doing, go to your Bible, see what the Bible has to say about your situation.
- 3. Sometimes God chooses to use another person to show you what you need to do. Remember Ananias was sent by God to talk to Saul/Paul.
 - Sometimes God sends others to us to advise us, to counsel us, to preach to us, to point the way.
- 4. God also uses His Holy Spirit to show us what He wants us to do. Saul/Paul was led by the Holy Spirit.
 We must recognize His "voice" and then be willing to obey what He says.

CONCLUSION:

- 1. God has a plan for every Christian' life.
- 2. God has things He wants each of us to be doing for Him, which nobody else is to do.
- 3. God wants to help us do what He has for us to do.
- 4. We must know what God wants us to do for Him.
- 5. We must be willing to do what God wants us to do.
- 6. We must allow God to help us do what He wants us to do for Him.
- 7. We must do what God wants us to do for Him, His way.
- 8. So, have you found what God wants you to do for Him yet?