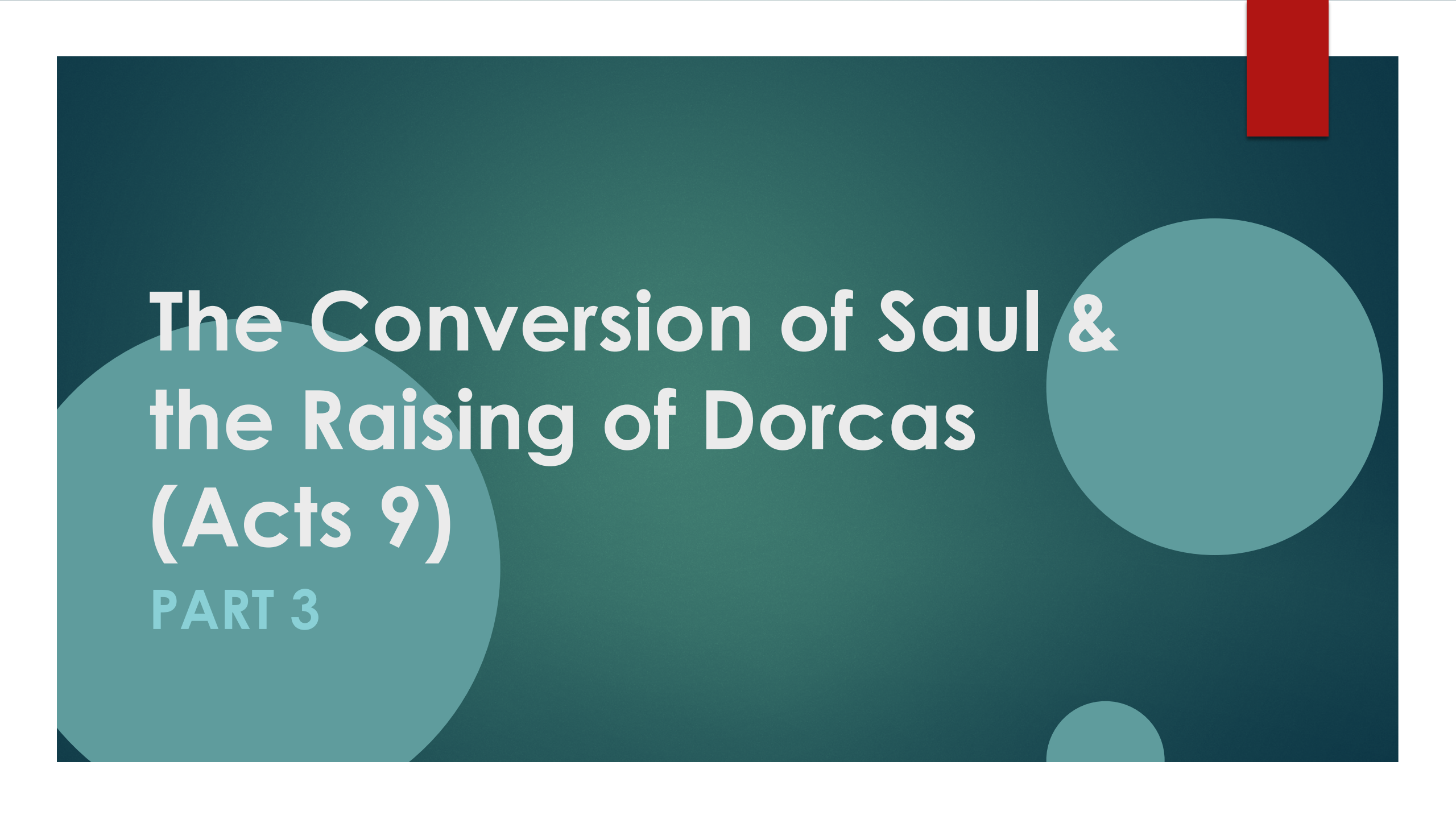




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# The Conversion of Saul & the Raising of Dorcas (Acts 9)

PART 3

# In our previous lesson:

- ▶ We discussed the conversion of Saul (Paul).

# In this lesson:

- ▶ We will also discuss the healing of Aeneas.
- ▶ Finally, we will explore the raising of Tabitha (Dorcas).

## Acts 9:31 (ESV)

*31 So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.*



# The Healing of Aeneas



**ACTS 9:32 – 35**

## Acts 9:32 (ESV)

*32 Now as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints who lived at Lydda.*





## Acts 9:33 – 34 (ESV)

*33 There he found a man named Aeneas, bedridden for eight years, who was paralyzed. 34 And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose.*

## Several Important details about Peter healing of Aeneas:

- ▶ Aeneas' health condition was well known.
- ▶ His healing was immediate.
- ▶ There was no doubt that a miracle had been performed.

## Acts 9:35 (ESV)

*35 And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord.*

# The Raising of Tabitha (Dorcas)

**ACTS 9:36 – 43**

## Acts 9:36 (ESV)

*36 Now there was in Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which, translated, means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity.*



## Acts 9:37 – 38 (ESV)

*37 In those days she became ill and died, and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him, urging him, "Please come to us without delay."*

## Acts 9:39 (ESV)

*39 So Peter rose and went with them. And when he arrived, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping and showing tunics and other garments that Dorcas made while she was with them.*



## Revelation 14:12 – 13 (ESV)

*12 Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus. 13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!”*

## Acts 9:40 – 43 (ESV)

40 But Peter put them all outside, and knelt down and prayed; and turning to the body he said, “Tabitha, arise.” And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. 41 And he gave her his hand and raised her up. Then, calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive. 42 And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. 43 And he stayed in Joppa for many days with one Simon, a tanner.

# Matthew 17:14 – 20 (ESV)

14 And when they came to the crowd, a man came up to him and, kneeling before him, 15 said, “Lord, have mercy on my son, for he has seizures and he suffers terribly. For often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. 16 And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him.” 17 And Jesus answered, “O faithless and twisted generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me.” 18 And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and the boy was healed instantly. 19 Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, “Why could we not cast it out?” 20 He said to them, “Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you.”



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