

# An Unsung Bible Hero

## (Acts 9:10-22)

**Introduction:** Here is another little noticed character who did a great work in the Lord's kingdom. He should be an inspiration to all called upon to live the Christian life under ordinary everyday circumstances. Life is often lived without praise, recognition or glory. Yet, that is what the Lord wants (Matthew 25:23). Noting this man will be a blessing to all who feel their place of service is small, unnoticed or seemingly unimportant.

### I. His \_\_\_\_\_

- A) "A certain disciple" (9:10)
  1. Just an ordinary man living for Christ and unknown to many.
  2. May God give us many more who...
- B) "Devout by the standard of the Law" (22:12)
  1. He practiced what he preached and lived what he believed.
  2. Does our life speak a sermon without saying a word?
- C) "Well spoken of by all the Jews" (22:12)
  1. A crowning tribute to this man.
  2. His character is praised by those who disagreed with him  
(1 Peter 2:12; 1 Timothy 4:12).

### II. His \_\_\_\_\_ to Serve

- A) "Behold, here am I, Lord" (9:10)
- B) Be ready to serve and keep your priorities in line (Matthew 6:33).

### III. His \_\_\_\_\_ to Serve

- A) He did ask God a couple of questions (9:13-17).
- B) His questions were reasonable and understandable (8:1-3; 9:1-2).

### IV. He Was \_\_\_\_\_

- A) He did what God told him in the way God told him.
  1. \_\_\_\_\_ as a Christian (9:17).
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ as a Christian
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ as a Christian

### V. Note the Importance of \_\_\_\_\_

- A) Few words recorded...
  1. Acts 9:17-19
  2. Acts 22:13-16
- B) Saul (Paul) was not saved by prayer, fasting, or anything else.
- C) He had to come in contact with the blood of Christ to have his sins washed away (Acts 22:16; Romans 6:1-6; 1 Peter 3:21).

**Conclusion:** I am thankful for the faithful service of Ananias. He did not shrink back because of popular opinions of his day. We need more "certain disciples" all over.

*My Notes:*