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- 18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

 19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

 20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.
- 21 But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?
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(c) An Experience of Family Life, 9:19

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Gal. 1:17 Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

18 Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.

- Gal. 4:22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.
- 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise.
- 24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.
- 25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

 26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.
- 27 For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

 28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

(2) A New Faith, 9:20-22

(a) Preaching It, 9:20-21

i. The Importance of Paul's Preaching, 9:20

Acts 9:20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

New International Version

At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God.

New American Standard Bible

and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Holman Christian Standard Bible

Immediately he began proclaiming Jesus in the synagogues: "He is the Son of God."

Douay-Rheims Bible (RCC)

And immediately he preached Jesus in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

New World Translation (JW)

²⁰ and immediately in the synagogues he began to preach about Jesus, that this one is the Son of God

King James Bible

And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

http://biblehub.com/acts/9-20.htm

1 Jn. 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

ii. The Impact of Paul's Preaching, 9:21

Acts 9:21 But all that heard *him* were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

2 Cor. 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

(b) Proving It, 9:22

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2 Pet. 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

18 But grow in grace, and *in* the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him *be* glory both now and for ever. Amen.