



## Seriously God?

**Study Verse: Acts 9:11-16 TMT** Get up and go over to Straight Avenue. Ask at the house of Judas for a man from Tarsus. His name is Saul. He's there praying. He has just had a dream in which he saw a man named Ananias enter the house and lay hands on him so he could see again." Ananias protested, "Master, you can't be serious. Everybody's talking about this man and the terrible things he's been doing, his reign of terror against your people in Jerusalem! And now he's shown up here with papers from the Chief Priest that give him license to do the same to us." But the Master said, "Don't argue. Go! I have picked him as my personal representative to non-Jews and kings and Jews. And now I'm about to show him what he's in for—the hard suffering that goes with this job."

**My Thoughts:** "The Message" translation of the King James Bible is very modern and sometimes changes the context slightly, so, when studying the scriptures, always, read what is known as the English original version first, King James, then comparing with other versions to gain your best understanding. Never take scripture out of its true context. Now, At the start of Chapter 9, Saul was doing his thing.. He was out to rid the world of Jesus' teachings and all that believed and followed. Man, woman, Jew or Non Jew. He had the Chief Priest (The Law) supporting Him. As he traveled he met the presence of Jesus... Wow what an encounter. Even the men traveling with Saul were dumbstruck. Today I guess they would say. "What the What?" But what caught my attention is Saul recognized Jesus and called Him the LORD or Master.. Saul is now confronted and struck blind by the overwhelming power of Jesus. Saul and the men with him understand the reality and truth of Jesus. They collect themselves as instructed and head toward Damascus. Now, Ananias is Damascus praying, and hears the voice of God/Jesus speak with instructions to go heal Saul. In shock, Ananias protested, arguing about the instruction. This reminded me of my similar experience . (I am a child of God doing my best each day)...

I parked my car, collected my things, headed toward the Office, ready to accomplish my daily task for the paycheck at the end of the week. No biggy, just another day, I hear this soft whisper, “Kiss \_\_\_\_\_ in the center of her head as you pass her” What???? “Kiss \_\_\_\_\_ in the center of her head as you pass her” Seriously, I can’t do that, she will think I am crazy! As I entered the office, \_\_\_\_\_ stepped into the hallway, as instructed, without hesitation, I placed my hands on \_\_\_\_\_ cheeks, kissed her in the center of her head, said good morning, I love you , kept walking. It was as if I had no control. I didn’t understand, She never questioned me, it wasn't mentioned until a while later, maybe a few days , I guess., ( \_\_\_\_\_ had recently been for a follow up MRI after our encounter) \_\_\_\_\_ shared that she was diagnosed with a tumor, the placement of it prevented surgical removal. she added that a tumor the size of a softball had shrunk to a golf ball size and was able to be removed, it was non– cancerous. She asked at this time why I did what I did several days earlier. I answered, God said to. I shared my argument with the Lord between the car and her office. I cried, because I thought, what if I had refused to obey. I’m sure God had a back up plan, but what if... I did not know what \_\_\_\_\_ was going through. I did not understand what God was needing. I only knew that I had to obey as instructed. It is so important that we have children of God, believers and followers of Jesus Christ, vessels of the Holy Spirit, study the word of God, build a relationship with Him, allow the Holy Spirit the freedom to direct us, but most importantly, be OBEDIENT. It doesn’t matter what people may say, the whys or the details. If God needed us to know, he would explain it. If we understood why or the details, we would get in the way of HIS miracle, His touch, His Glory, We are servants, living vessels for the Holy Spirit to dwell until needed . It is never about ME or what I did. I DID NOTHING but OBEY. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, never dismiss that “know so” feeling down deep in your being, feed your “know so” Spirit, allow it to grow, feed it the word of God, Talk to Him, He is real, He is with you. Build your relationship with God the Holy Spirit. Serving God, being Christian does not have to be a complicated thing nor announced to the world with highlights and banners. It is simple obedience to God that HE may move a mountain for someone else. I hope you have received something from God today. I pray you will encounter Him like never before each day. I pray for His Spirit to stir in you as an unborn baby in a mothers womb.

Until next time, May God bless, Heal, Protect and grow in you daily. Everyone say, AMEN