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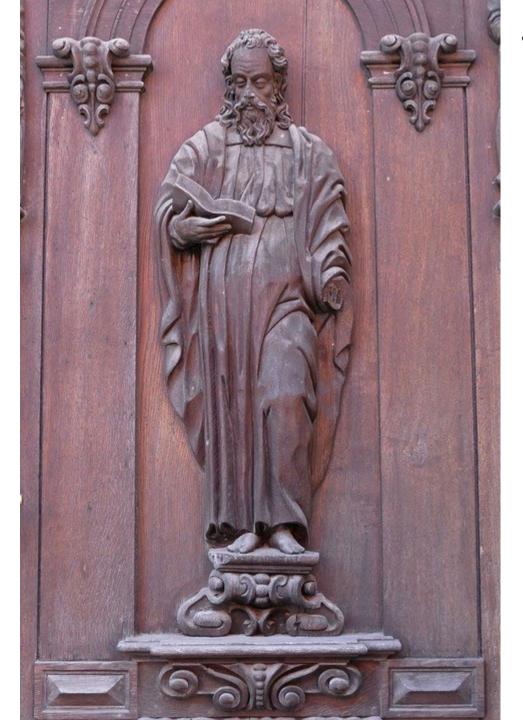


Let's find out about Paul

- Where was Paul born? <u>Acts 9:11, 30; 11:25; 21:39</u>
- Where may he have received part of his education? <u>Acts 22:3</u>
- What was Paul's cultural background and role? Phil 3:5; 2 Cor <u>11:22</u>
- What was his original name? (<u>Acts 7:58–13:9; 22:7; 26:14</u>),
- What does Saul spend his time doing?
- What happens to Saul that brings about a name change?
- What does Paul spend his time doing? (Acts 7:58–13:9; 22:7; 26:14)

Paul-

- Born in Tarsus, Turkey Acts 9:11, 30; 11:25; 21:39
- Received part of his education in Jerusalem <u>Acts 22:3</u>
- A Hebrew and a Pharisee Phil 3:5; 2 Cor 11:22
- He was originally named "Saul" (<u>Acts 7:58–13:9; 22:7; 26:14</u>),
- He was a Pharisee Phil 3:5; Acts 23:6-9; 26:5



Saul persecutes the followers of Jesus, because he considers belief in Jesus as Messiah to be incompatible with Judaism (<u>Acts</u> <u>7:58–13:9; 22:7; 26:14</u>) "Paul was bi-lingual (Hebrew/Aramaic and Greek) and bi-cultural (Jewish and Hellenistic/Greek), making him an ideal 'transition figure' for the spread of early Christianity from Palestine to the rest of the Roman empire".

Reference: Felix Just SJ



Paul's letters - what can we learn from reading these letters?

(Text types; What was going on in the community? What was Paul's purpose for writing? What does he urge the community to do / or not do? What evidence can you find of Paul's theology?)

- <u>1 Thessalonians</u>
- <u>2 Thessalonians</u>
- Galatians (check out chapters 3 and 5 for interesting insights!)
- Romans (chapter 1)
- 1 Corinthians (chapter 1)
- 2 Corinthians (chapter 1)
- Ephesians (chapters 1 and 2)
- Philippians (chapters 1 and 2)
- Colossians (chapter one but also check out ending 4:15-18)

Texts to explore:

- Prep, Year 2, Year 4: The Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37
- Year 1: Annunciations to Mary <u>Luke 1:26-28</u> Mary visits Elizabeth <u>Luke 1:39-42</u>
- Year 3: The birth of Jesus the Messiah Matthew 1:18-2:12
- Year 5: The story of Pentecost <u>Acts 2:1-15</u> and Conversion of Saul <u>Acts</u> <u>9:1-19</u>
- Year 6: The woman with a haemorrhage Jairus' Daughter
 <u>Matthew 9:18-26</u> <u>Mark 5:21-43</u> <u>Luke 8:40-49</u>
- Year 7: Festivals and customs Passover: Exodus 12:1-4, Mark 14:12-26
- Year 8: God's saving plan accomplished Romans 1:1-7
- Year 9: Jesus heals many at Simon's house <u>Mark 1:29-41</u> Jesus cleanses a leper <u>Mark 1:40-45</u> <u>Luke 5:12-16</u>
- Year 10: Last Supper <u>1 Corinthians 11:23-28</u> Washing of feet John 13:1-20