



TMZ Goes To Church
Pt. 5 - "How to deal with a
Scandal of your own!"
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A LETTER FROM JESUS
DEAR PAUL, I KNOW ALL ABOUT YOU!

1. MOVING FROM SHINY TO REAL

GETTING HONEST ABOUT OUR BROKEN HEART

The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

Jeremiah 17:9 NIV

Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 7:24-25 NLT

2. PAUL, YOU HAVE A REAL PAST TO GROW PAST

GOD USES THE SCANDALOUS

But Saul was going everywhere to destroy the church. He went from house to house, dragging out both men and women to throw them into prison.

Acts 8:3 NLT

Meanwhile, Saul was uttering threats with every breath and was eager to kill the Lord's followers. So he went to the high priest. He requested letters addressed to the synagogues in Damascus, asking for their cooperation in the arrest of any followers of the Way he found there. He wanted to bring them—both men and women—back to Jerusalem in chains.

As he was approaching Damascus on this mission, a light from heaven suddenly shone down around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting Me?"

Acts 9:1-4 NLT

My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Galatians 2:20 NLT

3. PAUL, YOU HAVE A REAL PRESENT TO BRING PRESENCE

GO GET CONNECTED

"But Lord," exclaimed Ananias, "I've heard many people talk about the terrible things this man has done to the believers in Jerusalem! And he is authorized by the leading priests to arrest everyone who calls upon Your name." But the Lord said, "Go, for Saul is My chosen instrument to take My message to the Gentiles and to kings, as well as to the people of Israel.

Acts 9:13-15 NLT

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart; for whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:3-8 NIV

4. PAUL, YOU HAVE A REAL FUTURE TO GO AND LEVERAGE

MOVE FORWARD

Though I am the least deserving of all God's people, He graciously gave me the privilege of telling the Gentiles about the endless treasures available to them in Christ.

Ephesians 3:8 NLT

When he had finished speaking, he knelt and prayed with them. They all cried as they embraced and kissed him good-bye. They were sad most of all because he had said that they would never see him again. Then they escorted him down to the ship.

Acts 20:36-38 NLT

No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Philippians 3:13-14 NLT

GOD DOESN'T MAKE MISTAKES AND HE DIDN'T START WITH YOU!

YOUR MOVE...