

The Apostle Paul

On His Missionary Journeys

Preaching the Gospel. Planting Churches.
Strengthening Believers.



Acts 13:6-12 ESV — When they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they came upon a certain magician, a Jewish false prophet named Bar-Jesus. He was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of intelligence, who summoned Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. But Elymas the magician (for that is the meaning of his name) opposed them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. But Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him and said, “You son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, full of all deceit and villainy, will you not stop making crooked the straight paths of the Lord? And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you will be blind and unable to see the sun for a time.” Immediately mist and darkness fell upon him, and he went about seeking people to lead him by the hand. Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had occurred, for he was astonished at the teaching of the Lord.

Saul's name changed to Paul, Hereafter, Paul is mentioned first

Looked intently

One of two times the apostle's miraculous gift was used to harm someone.

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How do we reconcile that with his teachings and previous actions?

Acts 13:5 ESV — When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews. And they had John to assist them.

13 Now Paul and his companions set sail from Paphos and came to Perga in Pamphylia. And John left them and returned to Jerusalem,

Acts 12:12	Mark's mother Mary hosts believers
Acts 12:25	Barnabas and Saul take Mark
Acts 13:5	Mark assists on first missionary journey
Acts 13:13	Mark leaves and returns to Jerusalem
Acts 15:36-40	Dispute between Paul and Barnabas over Mark
Colossians 4:10	Mark is with Paul in prison
Philemon 24	Mark called a fellow laborer
2 Timothy 4:11	Paul says Mark is profitable for ministry
1 Peter 5:13	Peter calls Mark "my son"