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# mpcnightchurch

**growing followers of Jesus**

Welcome to **nightchurch**, especially if you're here for the first time. Please FILL IN A VISITORS CARD and stay for a cuppa in the hall afterwards. The mission of **nightchurch** is to encourage 21st century people to follow Jesus by teaching God's word in a way that makes sense..

**supper roster next week: Wusts and Russells**

## Changing Over

### 1 Timothy 1:12-20

#### 1. Tatiana - who are you playing for?

- changing sides

#### 2. A bigger surprise...

No wonder he changed his name!

#### 3. What he says about it later...

Read 1 Tim 1:13. How does Paul describe how HE WAS?

Jesus could have zapped Paul on the road. What did he do instead?

From verse 15 and 16, what does this demonstrate about Jesus?

#### 4. Impact for you, impact for others...

Good news for sinners

No one is too tough

**BEFORE**

When Stephen finished speaking to the Jewish council...  
57 ... they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him,  
58 dragged him out of the city and began to stone him. Meanwhile, the witnesses laid their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul.  
59 While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." 60 Then he fell on his knees and cried out, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he fell asleep.  
8:1 And Saul was there, giving approval to his death. On that day a great persecution broke out against the church at Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. 2 Godly men buried Stephen and mourned deeply for him.  
3 But Saul began to destroy the church. Going from house to house, he dragged off men and women and put them in prison.

9:1 Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem.  
3 As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" 5 "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied.  
6 "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do" ...  
20 At once Saul began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. 21 All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?"  
22 Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Christ.

**AFTER**

