Acts 9:17 And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”

Psalm 139:23–24
23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my anxieties;
24 and see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.
So that we can look more like Jesus and when we look more like Jesus people will want to come to know Him.

Are you being transformed?
1. He got baptized.

Ephesians 2:8–9

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

“Baptism is an outward expression of an inward faith.” - Watchman Nee

Romans 6:3–4

3 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

“Is it possible for an unbaptized believer to be saved? Yes, definitely. Should every believer be baptized? Yes, definitely.” - Max Lucado
1 John 2:19
19 They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us.

So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.
Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.

We don't think Jesus can really change someone's life.

We don't really believe that there is a heaven and hell and where we go for all eternity depends on Jesus.
Romans 10:14–15
14 But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?
15 And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!”

2 Timothy 4:2–4
2 Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching.

21 Then all who heard were amazed, and said, “Is this not he who destroyed those who called on this name in Jerusalem, and has come here for that purpose, so that he might bring them bound to the chief priests?”
22 But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, proving that this Jesus is the Christ.

Colossians 2:6-8
6 Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in [union with] Him [reflecting His character in the things you do and say—living lives that lead others away from sin], 7 having been deeply rooted [in Him] and now being continually built up in Him and [becoming increasingly more] established [a] in your faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing in it with gratitude.

If we don’t read our bible it doesn’t hurt Him it only hurts us.
We should read the Bible for US.

Put these four things on a separate slide

Get Baptized

Be with people who will help you learn the Bible what it means to follow Jesus –

Share your faith –

Grow in your faith

Change happens.

Giving your life to Jesus is a conversion experience but it never stops there.