

Acts 22:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

Analysis

Brother Saul, receive thy sight (Ἀδελφὲ Σαούλ, ἀνάβλεψον)—The address 'brother' (ἀδελφός) immediately includes the persecutor in the community of faith. **Receive thy sight** (ἀνάβλεψον) uses the aorist imperative of 'anablepō'—both 'look up' and 'receive sight,' combining physical and spiritual restoration. The phrase **the same hour** (αὐτῇ τῇ ὥρᾳ) emphasizes immediate healing, confirming Ananias's divine commission. The scales falling from his eyes (Acts 9:18) fulfilled Jesus' mission to give 'recovery of sight to the blind' (Luke 4:18). Paul's healing authenticated the gospel message he would proclaim.

Historical Context

Three days had passed since Paul's encounter with Jesus (Acts 9:9). During this time he neither ate nor drank, spending the time in prayer. God revealed to Ananias that Paul was praying and had seen a vision of a man named Ananias restoring his sight (Acts 9:11-12).

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. What does Ananias's greeting 'Brother Saul' teach about the radical inclusion of Christian fellowship?
2. How do physical healings in Acts authenticate the apostolic message and commission?

Interlinear Text

ἐλθὼν	πρός	με	καὶ	ἐπιστὰς	εἶπέν	μοι	Σαοὺλ
Came	unto	me	and	stood	and said	unto me	Saul
G2064	G4314	G3165	G2532	G2186	G2036	G3427	G4549
ἀδελφέ	ἀνέβλεψα	κάγὼ	αὐτόν	τῇ	ᾥν	ἀνέβλεψα	εἰς
Brother	looked up	And	him	G3588	hour	looked up	upon
G80	G308	G2504	G846		G5610	G308	G1519
αὐτόν							
him							
G846							

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