

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 (Ἄδελφὲ Σαούλ, ἀνάβλεψον)—The address 'brother' (ἀδελφέ) 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**
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ἀδελφέ ἀνέβλεψα κάγω αὐτόν τῇ ὥρᾳ ἀνέβλεψα εἰς

Brother **looked up** **And** **him** **G3588** **hour** **looked up** **upon**
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