Saint Paul

Apostle
Solemnity celebrated - June 29



Paul who once persecuted the followers of Jesus was called by the Lord to be an apostle. Paul's central conviction was simple and absolute: only God can save man. No human effort — even the most scrupulous observance of law can create a human good which we can bring to God as reparation for sin and payment for grace. To be saved we have to completely be open to the saving power of Jesus. Paul always loved the Jewish people and preached the saving power of Jesus to them as well as to the Gentiles.