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*Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.* Galatians 3:12 (KJV)

*Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison.* Acts 8:3

I. The ASSAULT – A Premeditated CRIME

***1****But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest****2****and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.*Acts 9:1-2

II. The ARREST – A Suspect CAPTURED

***3****Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him.*Acts 9:3

III. The ARRAIGNMENT – A Guilty CONVICTION

***4****And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?”****5****And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.*Acts 9:4-5

IV. The ACTION – A Missionary CALL

***15****But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.****16****For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.”* Acts 9:15-16

**Last Thought:** No RENEGADE of grace is TOO FAR from the long arm of the Lord.