



# EARTH WIND & FIRE

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## Shining Star

### Commander of the Death Star

*Saul continued to oppose the Lord's followers. He said they would be put to death. He went to the high priest. He asked the priest for letters to the synagogues in Damascus. He wanted to find men and women who belonged to the Way of Jesus. The letters would allow him to take them as prisoners to Jerusalem.*

— Acts 9:1–2, NIRV

### The Bright and Morning Star

*As he was approaching Damascus on this mission, a light from heaven suddenly shone down around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?"*

— Acts 9:3–4, NLT

### A Star Is Born

*Right away he began to preach in the synagogues. He taught that Jesus is the Son of God. All who heard him were amazed. They asked, "Isn't he the man who caused great trouble in Jerusalem? Didn't he make trouble for those who worship Jesus? Hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" But Saul grew more and more powerful. The Jews living in Damascus couldn't believe what was happening. Saul proved to them that Jesus is the Messiah.*

— Acts 9:20–22, NIRV

### House of the Rising Stars—Leaving a Legacy

*As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.*

— Joshua 24:15, NKJV

**Memory verse:** *In a world of corrupt and sinful people, you must shine among them like stars lighting up the sky.*

— Philippians 2:15, GNT

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