



17TH CENTURY FRENCH CARVED BLEACHED EBONY PLAQUE "THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL"

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Decorate a wall with this intricately antique panel. Crafted of ebony wood in France circa 1680, the plaque depicts the dramatic biblical scene of "The Conversion of Saint Paul on the Road to Damascus", a moment of profound spiritual awakening. At the center, Saul is shown falling from his rearing horse, struck down by divine revelation. His companions, clad in Roman-style garments, react in astonishment, while another horse and soldier add to the sense of movement and chaos. Above, a celestial figure possibly representing Christ, emerges, radiating divine authority and signaling the moment of transformation. The backdrop features domed and turreted buildings, evoking the ancient city of Damascus and lending historical depth to the scene. Surrounding the central tableau is an ornately carved floral and scroll work frame, rich in Baroque influence with bold, flowing lines and high-relief details. The craftsmanship reveals a masterful command of depth, texture, and storytelling in wood, likely carved from walnut or a similarly warm-toned hardwood. The religious relic is in excellent condition and adorns a rich bleached patinated finish. With its powerful religious symbolism and exceptional artisanal quality, the panel serves as both a spiritual artifact and a striking example of historical woodcarving tradition. Measures: 23"W x 16"D x 3"H