

ACTS

CHRIST'S MISSION BY HIS SPIRIT THROUGH THE CHURCH

Sunday Morning, June 28, 2020 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

Message Title: Yielding, the Gospel and Individuals

Message Text: Acts 8:26-40

God uses *yielded believers* to advance the Gospel and reach individuals with the love of Christ.

Philip was used to preach and see a whole city turn to Christ. Now God uses him to reach one person.

1. The _____ of the Spirit (26-29)

Acts 6:5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:

A. A Certain _____ (26)

Acts 8:26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

Gaza was 50+ miles from Samaria

B. A Certain _____ (29)

Acts 8:27-28 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who

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had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship, 28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

Acts 8:29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

Ethiopia was 1,000 to 1,500 miles from Jerusalem and was located near modern day Sudan.

This Eunuch had great authority and served under Queen Candace of Ethiopians. He was traveling to Jerusalem to worship.

2. The _____ of the Servant (27-36)

A. An _____ Obedience (27)

Acts 8:27 And he arose and went:

B. A _____ Obedience (30)

Acts 8:30 And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

C. A _____ Obedience (30, 35)

READY WITH A QUESTION

Acts 8:30 And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

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Acts 8:31-35 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him. 32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth: 33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth. 34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man? 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

Isaiah 53:7-8 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, Yet he opened not his mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, So he openeth not his mouth. 8 He was taken from

prison and from judgment: And who shall declare his generation? For he was cut off out of the land of the living: For the transgression of my people was he stricken.

1 Peter 3:15 *But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be **ready always** to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:*

D. An _____ Obedience (36)

John 16:8 *And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:*

We do not the save or convict—God does!

Acts 1:8 *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

Acts 4:31 *And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.*

1 Corinthians 3:5-9 *Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man? 6 I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. 7 So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. 8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour. 9 For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building*

3. The _____ of the Sinner

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A. He _____ Christ (37)

Acts 8:37 *And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.*

Acts 10:43 *To him [Jesus] give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.*

Note: The name of Jesus and His Deity separates Christianity from all other religions.

B. He _____ Christ (38)

Acts 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

Definition—Baptize: to immerse

Matthew 28:19–20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Note: Salvation is evidenced by a desire to obey Christ.

C. He _____ in Christ (39)

Acts 8:39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

Definition—Rejoiced: to become cheerfully encouraged.

Romans 5:1–2 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: 2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Conclusion

Acts 8:5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

Acts 8:35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

Acts 8:40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

Acts 21:8 And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and abode with him.

