



SERMON NOTES

Sunday, April 25, 2021 | Pastor Scott Boerckel

“The Importance of One”

Acts 8:26-40

1. How do I get opportunities to evangelize? (Acts 8:26-28)
2. What should I do when an opportunity arises to proclaim the Good News? (Acts 8:29-35)

3. What do I do after I proclaim the Good News? (Acts 8:36-40)

Table Talk

- 1) What does it mean to “evangelize”? Where do you find opportunities to evangelize? How does obedience precede Philip’s evangelizing? (vv. 26-27) Why would God order Philip to leave Samaria to go down a desert road? What does that say about the danger of emphasizing the size of a ministry?
- 2) What does Philip find on this desert road? What does the Spirit of God say to Philip? (vv. 27-29) Who is this person that Philip encounters and why is he important?
- 3) What does Philip do when an opportunity arises to proclaim the Good News? (v. 30) What might be significant about Philip “running” to the chariot? What is Philip’s opening comment to the eunuch? What is the value of a good question? What are some good questions that you can ask to open the conversation toward spiritual matters?
- 4) How do we know that Philip is not “forcing” himself on to the eunuch? (v. 31) What are ways that we might be tempted to force our way into people’s lives? What are ways to avoid that?
- 5) What is the “it just so happened moment” that occurs in verse 32-33? What is the eunuch’s question? (v. 33) How does Philip answer? (v. 35) What is significant about the phrase “beginning with this scripture”?
- 6) What is the act of commitment which reveals the eunuch’s genuineness of faith? Why is he baptized on a desert road? (vv. 36, 38) Where did Philip go? Where did the eunuch go? (vv. 39-40) Why, from an earthly point of view, might it be possible that Philip would be discouraged about this entire episode? How do we know that he was not discouraged? (v. 40) How might you listen to God this week in a way that alters your schedule so that you may proclaim the Good News about Jesus?