

7. What are the factors involved in the eunuch's coming to know the Lord? (Acts 8:26-39) Would you have been that obedient?

8. Read Matthew 22:8-10...what are some ways that we can do this in a tangible way?

9. How have you rejoiced lately in the fact that Jesus saved you? How have you seen others rejoicing in Jesus name?

Ordinary Man, Extraordinary Results

Philip's faith:

1. Character—a man known to be full of the **Spirit** and wisdom. (Acts 6:3a)
2. **Calling**—take care of the widows, spread the gospel. (Acts 6:3b-4; 1-8)
3. Catalyst—**Persecution**. (Acts 8:1-3)

Philips journey:

1. Great **crowds** in Samaria. (Acts 8:4-8; Mark 9:35-37)
2. **People** blinded with power. (Acts 8:9-24; Rom. 14:11; Matt. 13:44)
3. Insignificant **individuals** along the road. (Acts 8:26-39; Matthew 15:21-28)
4. **Capitol** cities and **Gentiles**. (Acts 8:40; Hebrews 10:25b)

Philips obedience:

1. Let the Holy Spirit **guide** you. (Luke 12:11-12; John 16:13)
2. Meet **people** where they are. (Matthew 22:8-10)
3. **Know** what you are talking about. (I Peter 3:15)
4. **All** or **nothing!** (Matthew 16:24-25)

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

For the week of January 24, 2010

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. In the opening verses of Acts 8 it says that the people mourned for Stephen and his death. The “mourning” was a direct violation of Jewish law (because he was killed in judgment) and seen as a public protest. How have you ever stood up, or protested the violations you have seen in your lifetime? Why or why not?

2. (Acts 8:1-3) Stephen’s death was only the beginning of persecution against Christians...if you and your family were hurt or imprisoned because of your faith...how would you have responded? (Acts 8:4) How did the people respond in Acts?

3. How are you seeing the command to be witnesses in Acts 1:8 fulfilled in your life, community group and church?

4. How does the power of the Holy Spirit continue to be demonstrated today? (Acts 8:6-8; Galatians 5:22-23)

5. Look again at the story of Simon the sorcerer in Acts 8:9-25. How does he attempt to get spiritual power? What is his motivation for wanting it? In what ways do we attempt to receive spiritual power?

6. What do you see as your opportunities and responsibilities for taking the gospel to the ends of the earth?