

Truths That Transform
PHILIP and the ETHIOPIAN EUNUCH
Acts 8:5-40

MESSAGE INTRODUCTION: Have you ever hesitated to obey God's leading or prompting in your life?

EXAMPLES: The Spirit of God prompting you to witness to someone or give them a gospel tract.

The Spirit of God prompting you to give financially to the work of the Lord or possibly help someone in need.

The Spirit of God prompting you to pray for the needs of others?

One of Jesus' disciples by the name of Philip was preaching to people in Samaria . . . and the result was remarkable . . . God was drawing many of the Samaritans to faith in Christ.

Read Acts 8:5-6

In the midst of this great revival where many people were coming to faith in Jesus, an angel spoke to Philip and told him to leave and go down to the desert area south of Jerusalem.

Read Acts 8:26

Philip could have resisted the words of the angelic messenger . . . after all . . . God was blessing greatly right there in Samaria . . .

But Philip didn't resist or even hesitate . . . He was quick to **RESPOND** to the **WILL** of God . . .

Note: You can make copies of the following notes and give them to your class or group (copy pages 2 and 4 and fold into a booklet). By printing the notes with blanks (page 4) you will involve your listeners in your study. **EMPHASIZE** the missing words and encourage people to fill in the notes . . . OR . . . if they find the notes are a distraction to them, they can fill in the notes at home as a review of the lesson. The answers are printed at the bottom of the back page.

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ANSWERS TO THE NOTES: 1. RESPONDED, WILL, obey
do it with all your might, 3. REASONED, WORD, *be ready,* 4. REJOICED,
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Ecclesiastes 9:10 – “Whatsoever thy hand finds to do, do it with all your might.”

Acts 8:30-35

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