



Sermon
Discussion
Guide

Sunday, November 3, 2024

ACTS – The Church on Mission

Church on the Move

Read/Reflect

1. Read Acts 8: 26-40. What do you identify with in the story, and why?
2. Scholars are pretty certain that verse 37 is an addition to Luke's original story (maybe added in the 6th century), which is why in most translations it is a footnote. Why do you think someone added it, and does it remain true to Scripture?
3. Refer to Isaiah 53. What do you imagine Philip spoke of in explaining this Scripture passage? What would you have highlighted or focused on?

Explore

4. What is the significance of this story for the church in Luke's time? In our time?
5. Have you ever felt Spirit-directed to find yourself in a place and time that you didn't expect?
6. Describe an opportunity you've had to speak about Jesus. What did you say, or what could you have said? How did it go?
7. When you read a passage that you don't understand or that doesn't speak to you what usually happens?

<input type="checkbox"/> I witness something that makes a connection,	<input type="checkbox"/> I discuss it with others,
<input type="checkbox"/> I ask my pastor about it,	<input type="checkbox"/> I disregard it,
<input type="checkbox"/> I consult a Bible website,	<input type="checkbox"/> I've not come across a difficult verse,
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____.
8. Why did the Ethiopian request baptism? If you've been baptized, what does it mean to you?

<input type="checkbox"/> I belong to God	<input type="checkbox"/> God promises his love to me
<input type="checkbox"/> I'm forgiven	<input type="checkbox"/> I repent and turn to Jesus
<input type="checkbox"/> I'm saved	<input type="checkbox"/> I am cleansed
<input type="checkbox"/> I promise to behave	<input type="checkbox"/> I receive God's grace & mercy

Pray

- Pray that you (and the whole church) would be open to the Spirit's leading, and follow as Philip did.
- Praise God for the way he gathers people to himself, always showing his grace and mercy.