

Seizing Your Divine Moments

Acts 8:26-40

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Sermon Outline

1. Acts 8:26-30a

What we know about the Eunuch:

What we know about Phillip:

What we learn from Phillip: **Listen and respond to the Lord, refusing to be intimidated by circumstances.**

What we learn from the Eunuch: **God is at work, reaching out in ways we do not realize. He is willing to go to extremes to come into a relationship with us.**

2. Acts 8:30b-31

What we learn from Phillip: **Ask questions and start a conversation.**

What we learn from the Eunuch: **Be open to dialogue, being honest with what you don't know.**

3. Acts 8:32-35

What we learn from Phillip: **It really is all about Jesus.**

What we learn from the Eunuch: **God loves all people regardless of race, skin color, background, gender, etc.**

4. Acts 8:36-38

What we learn from Phillip: **When people are ready, we need to help them make a commitment.**

What we learn from the Eunuch: **You need to make a commitment.**

5. Conclusion:

We have no idea how God will use our simple act of obedience.

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Questions for Discussion & Reflection

1. Phillip listened to the angel of the Lord, responded and was not intimidated by circumstances.

Today, it is less common to have an angel of the Lord give us direct instructions from the Lord. What are some ways the Lord does communicate to us today? How do we know when we are experiencing a Divine Moment?

What are some things that get in the way of our responding to the Lord's direction in our lives, particularly when it comes to communicating the good news to people? What are we intimidated by?

2. Phillip initiated the conversation with the Eunuch by asking a question about what he was reading. What are some good ways to initiate spiritual conversations with others?
3. Phillip focused on the Person of Christ in his conversation with the Eunuch. What are things that get in the way of us talking about Jesus? How can we talk about Jesus as a Person rather than a product?
4. Phillip led the Eunuch to a point of decision. How would you go about helping someone make a decision for Christ?
5. Simple obedience often leads to divine results. What are some examples of how God has used a simple act of obedience (either in your life or in a circumstance you heard about) to produce an unexpected result?