Questions

Acts 8:26-31

²⁶ Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." ²⁷ So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, ²⁸ and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet.

²⁹ The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it."³⁰ Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked.³¹ "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

"On his way home, he was reading the Gospel." This high-ranking official from Ethiopia had been to Jerusalem to worship, and was now seeking answers. Each and every one of us has been there--whether before we knew Jesus, or during our journey.

Questions about the Good News are how we learned what The Gospel and this guy called Jesus have to offer. Somewhere, sometime, someone helped us by speaking about and living out the Good News in a manner that made sense to us. We all need to hear and see the Good News in different ways so that we can begin to have some understanding.

Because we are living out the Good News, we are like Philip. Every day, in all situations, others want to know how it is that we are living out the call of Jesus in our lives. The opportunities are endless to show Jesus' love as we live out our everyday lives.

People who are questioning their own spirituality are looking at us whether we know it or not. They want to know if we really believe what we say we believe, and act in a way that reflects Christ's presence in our lives. Our witness can make them feel comfortable enough to approach us and ask for help in their lives as they seek reconciliation, or just answers to their questions.

As Christians, we have the unique opportunity to show others the possibilities of the Grace, Peace, and Joy that is available in Jesus.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, please make us mindful of all the opportunities available to us, so we can witness your Grace to others. Give us the ability to recognize when others are questioning their own journey. Help us to hear your call to be an effective witness for those who are struggling. In Jesus precious name, Amen

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