

Acts: To the End of the Earth

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Acts 8:26–40

Introduction

God uses ordinary people for divine moments to spread the gospel

Philip is not the apostle, but like Stephen on who like was chosen to serve, but were full of the Spirit and wisdom (Acts 6:3-5).

- I. **A Divine Meeting (v.26-31)**
 - A. The Ethiopian: a man of status and wealth, and a seeker
 - B. Philip: a man full of the Spirit and wisdom, and a gifted evangelist

- II. **A Divine Message (v.32-35)**
 - A. The importance of the Scriptures (Isaiah 53:7,8)
"As a sheep led to the slaughter or a lamb before its shearer is dumb, so he opens not his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken up from the earth"
 - B. The need for understanding the focus: the gospel of Jesus Christ

- III. **A Divine Response (v.36-40)**
 - A. Trust in Jesus
 - B. Public Witness

God uses unqualified, inexperienced, under-resourced people to extend his kingdom on the earth. He will use you and me!