

## PHILIP AND THE ETHIOPIAN

What would you say if someone asked you who Jesus is?

### Let's Get Started

**Episode Theme:** Serving Others - The Holy Spirit Builds the Early Church

1. Have you ever felt like God was asking you to do something for him, but you didn't know why?
2. God sent Philip to a desert road to meet someone he wasn't expecting. As you listen to the story, think about why God sent Philip out to this road and how God might be putting you in a certain place for a purpose that might not yet be clear.

### Memory Verse

"How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

**Acts 8:31**

### After You Listen

Philip had been preaching about Jesus in Samaria and many people were putting their faith in God and following him. Then he was called to a lonely desert road without much of a reason for going. But the purpose soon became clear. He had the opportunity to share the gospel of Jesus with a person from a long way away. Imagine if Philip hadn't been there to explain to the Ethiopian official who Isaiah was talking about? He might never have understood the truth about Jesus. Because Philip went where God told him to go the Ethiopian official went on his way rejoicing. Now, imagine all of the people that the Ethiopian official told about Jesus after Philip had been taken away. You can read the story of Philip and the Ethiopian in [Acts 8:26-40](#).

Want to dig deeper and learn more about God calling his people to do to share Jesus with others? [Acts 2](#) and [Acts 10](#) tell more stories about how the early church shared the message of Jesus with people.

### Challenge

What would you say if someone asked you who Jesus is? It is good to think about that question and be prepared to give an answer. It doesn't have to be a long or deep answer. It can simply be an explanation of who Jesus is and what he has done for you.

- Take some time to write down how you would answer someone who asked you who Jesus is.
- Read your answer to your parents or a friend and talk together about how you describe who Jesus is.

### Take the Episode Quiz

**Question 1:** Where was Philip preaching before he met the Ethiopian official?

**Answer:** Samaria

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**Question 2:** Who did the Ethiopian official serve in his home country?

**Answer:** Candace, the Queen of the Ethiopians

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**Question 3:** What book was the Ethiopian reading where Philip met him?

**Answer:** Isaiah

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**Question 4:** What did the Ethiopian want to do after he understood who Jesus was?

**Answer:** He wanted to be baptized.

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**Question 5:** What did Philip do after he was taken away from the Ethiopian?

**Answer:** He continued preaching about Jesus

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