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One Little Word Can Fell Him Isaiah 49:1-6



Parallel Scripture

30 So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. 33 In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." 34 And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. 36 And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" 38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. 39 And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea

Acts 8:30-40

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)

- Do words have power? What can they do?
- What have you seen God's Word do?

Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- If the Preacher had to give an abbreviated version of last weekend's message, what two points or ideas would you tell him to include no matter what?
- Read Isaiah 49:1-6. He is addressing Israel.
- Read the parallel scripture Acts 8:30-40? Who does Philip say Isaiah is the suffering servant? Is it the same as your answer for 49:1-6? Why or why not?
- What do you think it means to have a mouth like a sword?

Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- How can one Word from God change everything?
- How has it changed you?
- Do you believe the Word of God can save and redeem? When was the last time you used God's Word? Did you Speak it to someone, and what did it do?
- Read John 8:12 and Matthew 5:14-15.

Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)

- How will you use God's Word this Week?
- Follow where the Holy Spirit is leading you, just like Philip did and see where God leads you.

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

 For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the Group Prayer Ideas page in this packet.

Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)

- 1. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
- 2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
- 3. How's your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection)
- 4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
- 5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
- 6. Pray for one another.