

**Weekend Message Questions**  
**The Bible For Regular People – Acts 8, Week 4**  
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**CHECK-IN:**

- Who is someone in your life who is very different from you but became a good friend? What helped you bridge that gap?
- When you hear the word “evangelism,” what comes up for you. Excitement, fear, guilt, something else?

**READ: Acts 8:1-5 and Acts 1:8**

**DISCUSS:**

- The persecution that scattered the believers is exactly what carried the gospel into Samaria, a place most Jews went out of their way to avoid. Have you ever seen God use a disruption or a hard season to push you somewhere you wouldn't have gone on your own?
- Romans 14 tells us to welcome believers who don't see things the way we do and to treat them gently. Where is it hardest for you to extend that kind of grace right now?

**READ: Acts 8:5-7, Romans 12:6, Philippians 1:15-18**

**DISCUSS:**

- Paul refuses to worry about other people's motives as long as Christ is being preached, and he actually cheers them on. Why is it so tempting to compare ourselves to others in our faith, and what would it look like to celebrate them instead?
- Genesis 11 says that when people were truly unified, nothing they planned was impossible. Where have you seen unity unlock something in a group or a church that division would have blocked?

**READ: Acts 8:26-38**

**DISCUSS:**

- This man was an outsider in almost every way, yet his question was simply, “What prevents me from being baptized?” Are there people you’ve quietly assumed are too far from God, too different or too skeptical to reach?
- Philip followed the Spirit to a desert road to meet one person. Who is the one person God might be nudging you toward right now?

## **APPLY**

**The message reminded us that walls come down when the gospel moves through us.**

**Sit with three questions:**

1. Where is my comfort zone keeping the gospel in? Name one boundary, whether a relationship, a group, or a place, that you tend to avoid.
2. Whose differences or motives am I judging instead of celebrating? Is there someone you could choose to cheer on this week?
3. Who is my one? Name one person, different from you, you can take a step toward this week.

## **PRAYER TIME**

Share requests around courage to cross lines of difference, humility to celebrate others, and eyes to see the one person God is sending you to. Pray that God would tear down the walls, in our hearts and in our relationships, that keep the gospel from moving freely.

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