



## **Acts: To the Ends of the Earth**

Acts 8:26-40

### Introduction

- ❖ Acts 1:8—*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.*

### To the ends of the earth!

- ❖ **Acts 8:26-27**
- ❖ **Isaiah 56:1-8**
- ❖ **Ephesians 2:11-13**
- ❖ Deuteronomy 23:1—*No one whose testicles are crushed or whose male organ is cut off shall enter the assembly of the Lord.*

### Genuine Conversion!

- ❖ John 6:63—*It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all*

#### 1. The Spirit prepares people to hear the gospel

- ❖ **Acts 8:26-28**

#### 2. The Spirit leads his people to proclaim the gospel

- ❖ **Acts 8:29-30a**

- ❖ Mark 16:15—*“Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.”*

#### 3. The Spirit directs people to the Word

- ❖ **Acts 8:28-33**

#### 4. The Spirit glorifies Jesus

- ❖ John 16:13-14—*When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.*

- ❖ **Acts 8:34-35**

- ❖ **Isaiah 53:3-6**

- ❖ Romans 1:16—*...the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes*



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### **5. The Spirit compels people to signify their union with Christ**

❖ Romans 6:3-5—*Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.*

#### **❖ Acts 8:36-38**

### **6. The Spirit is faithful to do this again and again**

#### **❖ Acts 8:39-40**

❖ Philippians 4:11-13—*I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.*

❖ 1 Peter 1:8—*rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*