



# Tell the Story of Jesus

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<sup>26</sup> Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. <sup>27</sup> And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup> and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup> And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.”

**Acts 8:26-40**

<sup>30</sup> So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” <sup>31</sup> And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. <sup>32</sup> 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. <sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”

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<sup>34</sup> And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" <sup>35</sup> Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup> 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?" <sup>37</sup> And Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he replied, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

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<sup>38</sup> And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. <sup>39</sup> 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. <sup>40</sup> 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 8:26-40**

**I. Telling the story of Jesus  
is a Spirit-led endeavor.**  
(v.v. 26–27, 29, 30–34)

**God is always preparing people  
to receive the story of Jesus.  
You and I must be moving and  
keep moving towards them to  
tell the story of Jesus.**

**II. Telling the story of Jesus  
is a Word-based exercise.  
(v.v. 28)**

**While most of us will not  
become Bible scholars all of us  
should be Bible students.**

**God has provided a pathway for  
people to believe the story of Jesus.  
We must familiarize ourselves with  
His truth to tell the story of Jesus.**

**III. Telling the story of Jesus  
is a Christ-centered experience.  
(v.v. 35–38)**

**We can easily become  
preoccupied with topics which  
have little impact on eternity.**



**III. Telling the story of Jesus  
is a Christ-centered experience.**  
(v.v. 35–38)

**God has perfected the plan for people to  
believe and receive the story of Jesus.  
Those who have experienced Jesus want  
to tell the story of Jesus.**

# APPLICATION

**STEP 1: Gather information — get intel.**

“What do you mean by that?”

Become familiar and comfortable  
with asking questions.

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**STEP 2: Find out the reasons why they believe what they are saying.**

You are not advancing your view but listening to them and seeking to understand.

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**STEP 3: Use questions to make a point.**

How far should you go  
in the current conversation?

# APPLICATION

Viabile — what is possible — Nothing is impossible with God. (Luke 1:37)

Visible — what is perceivable — Taste and see that the Lord is good. (Psalm 34:8)

Valuable — what is probable — One plants, another waters, but God gives the increase. (1 Corinthians 3:6)