"I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For"

Acts 8:26-40
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The Big Idea: We are all hoping to find meaning in life. Where is meaning and purpose found? Only in Jesus Christ. Followers of Jesus must embrace the evangelistic opportunities the Lord gives to them. They must also know the Word so that they can be ready to give a defense for the hope that is in them.

Acts 8:26-31(NASB95)

26 "But an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip saying, "Get up and go
south to the road that descends from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a
desert road.) 27 So he got up and went; and there was an Ethiopian
eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was
in charge of all her treasure; and he had come to Jerusalem to worship,
28 And he was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading the
prophet Isaiah. 29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go up and join this
chariot.' 30 Philip ran up and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and
said, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' 31 And he said, 'Well,
how could I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to
come up and sit with him."

The Search for Meaning

- From eternity past, God's eyes are on the one as well as the 99.
- The Ethiopian Eunuch was on a 3,000-mile round trip.
- In Jewish law, it was impossible for a eunuch to become a true Jewish proselyte.
- Are we Christian or are we religious?
- If we truly want to understand the Old Testament, we must read it through the cross and resurrection.
- Jesus is the interpretative key of existence.

The Embrace of Opportunities

- There is a time to go, and the spiritually discerned man or woman needs to embrace the opportunities when God gives them.
- People need the Gospel now!
- The Gospel is only good news if it gets there in time.
- We have the opportunity to be used by God to make the Gospel known.

The Need for Knowing the Word

- If we want to be able to answer questions, you need to know the Word.
- We don't decide the meaning of the Bible.
- Every passage in Scripture has a God-intended meaning.
- An uninformed Christian can do a lot of damage.
- Would you be able to answer the question of what the Christian life is supposed to look like?

The Drive to Keep Going

- The Christian is never truly stagnant.
- No matter where we go as Christians, we go out sharing the Word entrusted to us.
- Christians have the responsibility to tell others about Christ.

"A true faith in Jesus Christ will not suffer us to be idle. No, it is an active, lively, restless principle; it fills the heart, so that it cannot be easy 'til it is doing something for Jesus Christ."

-George Whitefield