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& the Ethiopian



ond make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Matthew 28:19 (NIV)

Led by the Spirit

Acts 8:26-40

"Go down to the desert road," said God's angel to Philip.

Philip obeyed. On the desert road, he saw a chariot. And official of the queen of Ethiopia was on his way home.

"Get close to the chariot," the Holy Spirit told Philip. He got close and heard the Ethiopian reading from the Jewish scriptures. He was reading the scroll of Isaiah.

"Do you understand what you're reading?" Philip asked the man.

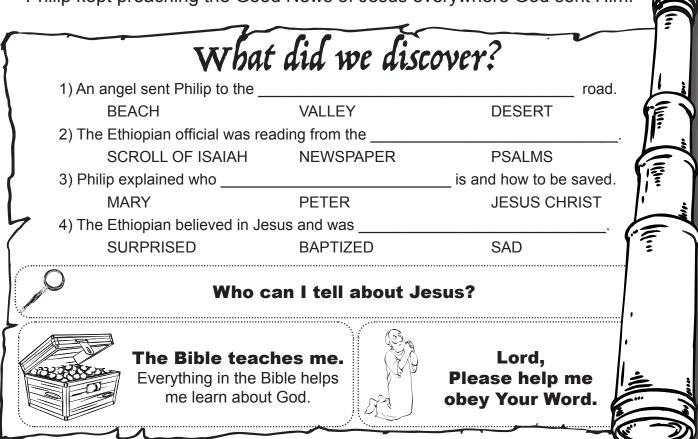
"How can I?" asked the frustrated man. "I don't have anyone to explain it to me.

The Ethiopian invited Philip to ride along in the chariot and explain the Scriptures to him. Starting with the verse the man had read, Philip explained the Good News about Jesus.

After hearing that, the Ethiopian believed in Jesus. When they passed a place with water, the man said, "There's water! Why can't I be baptized now?" So they stopped the chariot and went down into the water. Philip baptized him there.

Right as they came out of the water, Philip disappeared and the Holy Spirit took him to another place. The Ethiopian continued on his way praising God.

Philip kept preaching the Good News of Jesus everywhere God sent Him.



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