EXCEPT SOME MAN SHOULD GUIDE ME ACTS 8

Text: Acts 8:31

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And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

Introduction:

1. COMMAND GIVEN (8:26)

Acts 8:26

And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

This command came

- A. While he was active (vss 5-13)
- B. While he was alone (vs 14)
- C. To a place that was away (vs 26)

2. CHARIOT RETURNING (8:28)

Acts 8:28

Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

- A. Was returning from worship (vs 28)
- B. Was reading the word (vs 28)
- C. Philip ran to witness (vs 30)
 - 1. Opportunities come and go quickly
 - 2. Seize the opportunities
 - 3. Christ Preached (8:35)

Acts 8:35

Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

- a. Subject of the scripture
- b. Source of salvation
- c. Sheep for the slaughter

Isaiah 53:6-7

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. [7] He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

4. CONTINUING SERVICE (8:40)

Acts 8:40

But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

Close:

Principles

- 1. Don't expect to be called upon to go and see the great unless we are actively serving the Lord where we are.
- 2. Don't be surprised when the call comes it to a desert place.
- 3. Be willing to serve alone.
- 4. Not everyone who has wealth is happy.

- 5. Not everyone who attends church is saved.
- 6. Not everyone who reads or quotes the Bible understands it.
- 7. Seize our opportunities.
- 8. Preach Christ.