

*Raising the  
Temperature  
of Our  
Witness*

Acts 8:26-39



Big Idea: YOU ARE A WITNESS.

*“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.”*

Acts 1:8

*“If I say, ‘I will not mention him or speak any more in his name,’ there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones... and I am weary with holding it in... Indeed, I cannot.”*

Jeremiah 20:9



## Acts 8:26-27

26 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. 27 And he rose and went...

## Acts 8:27-29

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## Acts 8:30-32

30 So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” 31 And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

## Acts 8:32-34

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. 33 In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.” 34 And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?”

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- *“My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I, too, am working.” (John 5:17)*



## Acts 8:35-36

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. 36 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?"

## Acts 8:38-39

38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.

39 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.

FAITHFULLY INVITE.



Let's Get Practical...



# CHOOSE AVAILABILITY.

- Build relationships.
- Be honest.
- Pray missionally.

# EAGERLY DISCOVER.

- God is already working in people's lives. Find out where.
- Listen. Ask questions. Choose to love.

# FAITHFULLY INVITE.

- Commit to respond whenever God prompts, but know He is always inviting.
- Invite into the spiritual adventure — to hear God, experience Him, & follow Him alongside of you.





# What is the temperature of your witness?



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