

speak, for your servant is listening

**Promptings** 

Acts 8



Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet.



Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?" And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. The place in the Scripture which he read was this:



"He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He opened not His mouth. In His humiliation His justice was taken away, And who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth." So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?" Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him.



Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him.



Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing. But Philip was found at Azotus. And passing through, he preached in all the cities till he came to Caesarea.



#### **PROMPTINGS**

Discern Whether it's Coming from the Holy Spirit

Through Prayer Compare to Scripture

**Listen and Obey** 

In Position to Love God and Love Others
To Encourage Joy and Victory in Jesus



### **Incomplete Instructions**

"Arise and go"... So he arose and went.

# TAKE STEPS OF OBEDIENCE WITHOUT A FULL ITINERARY

If the Lord Leads You to Do It, Just Take Those Steps.

**More Guidance to Follow** 

Takes Us Out of the Driver's Seat

Trust in the Lord with all your heart...



# **Divine Timing**

"Go near and overtake this chariot."
So Philip ran to him.

RESPOND TIMELY TO TIME SENSITIVE PROMPTS

**A Divine Appointment** 

Catch the Vision Sense the Timing

**Turn Up The Volume On The Still Small Voice** 



### **Orchestrated Results**

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# TRUST GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY FOR THE OUTCOME

The Outcome Depends More on God's Power than it Does on Your Skills

Jesus Calls All of Us to Be His Witnesses

Join Him in His Redemptive Work



# The Holy Spirit is Present

# ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH TO INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO SHARE AN URGE WITH YOU?

Spend Time with God Feed on God's Word Yield to the Spirit

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