

Lesson 4: The Opportunity

OBJECTIVE: To practice a method and approach to sharing the gospel when the opportunities arise and to know exactly what to say.

Discuss and list some spiritual phrases and lines you can say to people:

For example: God Bless You is a common phrase

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

NOTE: ALWAYS THINK SOMEWHERE THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY.

Companies, salespeople, Jehovah Witnesses, telemarketers all take advantage of opportunities to try and convince you to accept what they are selling.

Example: A Car salesman will always try to sale you a new car, even if your current car is not that old. They will try to convince you to trade and upgrade.

A Witnessing Encounter

Scripture Reference: Acts 8:25-40

Who is Philip

1. Acts 6:5 – Philip is a _____ in the church.
2. Acts 8:4-5 - He was apart of the reason the gospel spread to _____.
3. Acts 1:8 - Why is Samaria significant:

QUESTION: What do you learn and observe from Philips role in the church?:

Aspects to the Witnessing Encounter

I. The Witness is Led by the Holy Spirit

A. Angel of the Lord Spoke to Philip

QUESTION: What does it mean to be led by the Spirit in a witnessing opportunity

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

B. Philip's Encounter with the Ethiopian Eunuch (Verses 26-29)

- Accepted the opportunity was Divine Appointment vs. 26
- Philip was obedient vs. 27
- Philip took advantage of the spiritual environment vs. 27
- Philip was guided by the Spirit vs. 29

II. The Witness Takes the Opportunity to Explain

A. Philip Explains the Scriptures (Verses 30-35)

- Philip's eagerness to respond to the moment vs. 30

QUESTION: What does Philip ask the Eunuch: _____

QUESTION: What are some comparable questions you could ask in this moment:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

QUESTION: What passage is The Eunuch's reading from vs. 31-33? _____

QUESTION: What does vs. 35 mean he preached Jesus to him.

APPLICATION: How would you explain Jesus to someone

III. The Witness Leads in the Sinners Prayer

Philip asks the Eunuch did he believe in Jesus

Write out the sinner's prayer in your words:

IV. The Witnesses Experiences the Joy of Baptism

- Request for baptism (Verse 36)
- Philip's response and the baptism (Verse 37-38)

Conclusion

- What is the Significance of the passage: _____
 - What is the Impact on early Christian mission?: _____
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