

This resource is designed to allow your family to have time in God's Word **BEFORE** your children attend church. Because God's plan is for **parents to be the primary spiritual nurturers** of their children's faith, **we want YOU to be the one to introduce** this part of The Big God Story to them.

For additional support in spiritual parenting and to learn more about creating transforming environments in your home, be sure to pick up **HomeFront: A Spiritual Parenting Resource** from your church or download at HomeFrontMag.com. You can also access the HomeFront app for your iPhone, iPad, or Android device.



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Jesus Is the Way, Part II

Part of The Big God Story
Acts 8
Philip and the Ethiopian Man

JUST FOR FUN

This week encourage your children to notice the people around them. Ask: "Who did we see today?" Encourage them to share things they remembered that were unique about people. After they describe several people, ask: "What's one thing that's the same about all those people?" Share with them that God loves everyone no matter how different they are, and He wants everyone to know Him. Read together **Acts 8:26-35**. Share with them that the queen's official decided he wanted to know God after listening to Philip talk about Jesus.

Did You Know?

- As the early church spread the good news about Jesus, they encountered great persecution. The church scattered but continued to preach the Word so others could know about Jesus.
- An angel led Philip down a wilderness road to meet an Ethiopian eunuch, an important court official to the queen in Ethiopia. Philip might have chosen not to share the good news with this man due to differences in ethnicity, social status, and his physical condition. But the Spirit revealed to Philip that God wants everyone to know Him.
- Philip shared the good news with the foreigner, baptized him, and fully accepted him into the faith community. We see one way in which God's plan for all of humankind to know Him was being fulfilled.

Remember Verse

For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.
Ephesians 1:4

Solving problems can be huge character builders for children this age. If your child is attempting to solve a problem that is within her grasp, give her the opportunity to do so on her own. While it may be tempting to step in, it's well worth it to resist and give her the satisfaction of success.

Teachable Moments

After reading Acts 8:26-35, discuss the following together:

- Who told Philip to go speak to the queen's official?
- What did Philip tell the Ethiopian?
- What is the good news about Jesus?

Blessing

For more information about blessing your child, see the Blessing section in *HomeFront: A Spiritual Parenting Resource*.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), may you know God loves you and sent Jesus to be the Way. May you know Him and share His love with others this week.