



## Leader's Guide

Week of May 21

### The Big Idea

Philip listened to the Holy Spirit and overcame many barriers to bring the Gospel to people.

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### Getting Started

1. Name a bad thing that has been turned to good through God's work.
2. Samaritans were like hated mongrels to the Jews. Is there any people group or demographic like that

for American/Western Christians? What have you seen/experienced?

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### Digging In

1. Read **Acts 8:1-3**. What is the "good" and the "bad" in this passage?  
**\*Leader's Note:** The bad is, clearly, that Christians are now being actively persecuted. The good is that the Lord is using this to spread the Gospel beyond Jerusalem.
  2. Read **Acts 8:4-24**. What was Simon looking for? What did he get?
  3. Read **Acts 8:25-40**. What did Philip need to do for the Ethiopian Eunuch to be saved?  
**\*Leader's Note:** Philip mostly just needed to be obedient to the promptings of the Spirit. He also needed to get over some social and cultural boundaries, just like he had done with the Samaritans.
  4. What did God need to do for the Eunuch to be saved?
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## Looking Around

1. Who is your “Samaritan” whom you’ve never wanted to reach out to? Try to be as specific as possible. What would it take for you to try and bring the Good News to them?
  2. When you came to Christianity or the Church for the first time, what was it for? What advantage did you think you would gain? When/how did it become about Jesus rather than that advantage?
  3. Have you ever felt prompted by the Spirit to do something and done it? Have you ever not done it? What were the results?
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## Pray

Pray that the Holy Spirit would prompt you for the purposes of engaging others, even “Samaritans,” and that you would have the courage to immediately obey!