

# THE BOOK OF *Acts*

|| Group Discussion Guide ||

Acts 8:26-40

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## THE ETHIOPIAN EUNUCH: TRUE CONVERSION

1

What are the indications from this passage that the Holy Spirit is at work in arranging this “divine appointment”?

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Have you ever experienced this kind of divine appointment? While we cannot manufacture experiences, how can we be prepared to act when the Spirit leads?

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What are the indications that the Ethiopian eunuch experiences true conversion, as opposed to the false conversion of Simon the magician?

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Which aspects of this story are descriptive and which might be prescriptive? Does the Ethiopian eunuch’s conversion look like the experience of most new believers today?

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The Ethiopian eunuch was reading Isaiah 53:7-8. What made this such a perfect passage for the encounter with Philip?

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This passage in some ways mirrors Jesus teaching on the road to Emmaus, when “beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself” (Luke 24:27). Are we comfortable “preaching Christ from the Old Testament”?

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With the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch, we begin to see the gospel going out to the Gentiles. How does this fit with the trajectory of Acts 1:8 and the narrative that we’ve seen so far?

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The Ethiopian eunuch had come to Jerusalem and was returning to Ethiopia. How might this passage give us a vision not only for “going to the nations” but being prepared for the “coming of the nations”?

