

Bible Study

Gods Word in Focus



Week Forty

Acts of the Apostles

Acts 8:26-9:19

Christ Is Preached to an Ethiopian

Acts 8:26-40

Philip was then told by an angel to go along the road between Jerusalem and Gaza where he saw a man reading in his chariot, who happened to be a eunuch and treasurer of Queen Candace of Ethiopia. Told by the Spirit to overtake the chariot, Philip heard him reading from the prophet Isaiah. Invited to explain the passage in Isaiah (cf. [Isa 53:7-8](#)), Philip proceeded to preach Jesus to him. When they came to some water, the eunuch requested to be baptized and Philip did so upon hearing his confession of faith. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit caught Philip away and the eunuch resumed his journey with great joy. Philip was later found at Azotus, and continued to preach in the cities until he came to Caesarea

The Damascus Road: Saul Converted

Acts 9:1-9

Not content with persecuting Christians in Jerusalem, Saul received permission from the high priest to seek out those of the Way in Damascus and bring them bound to Jerusalem. It was near Damascus that Saul was blinded by a vision of the risen Jesus. Told to go into Damascus for further instructions, Saul was led blind into the city where he waited for three days, neither eating nor drinking

Ananias Baptizes Saul

Acts 9:10-19

The Lord then appeared to a disciple named Ananias and sent him to restore Saul's sight and tell him what he would do as a chosen vessel for Christ. With his sight restored, Saul was baptized and resumed eating. For some days Saul remained in Damascus and began immediately preaching in the synagogues that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God, to the amazement of those who knew that he had come to the city to arrest Christians