

Philip The Evangelist

Introduction: The early church was supposed to spread out, but they got _____ in Jerusalem so God had to send a "holy nudge" to get them to move around. Another deacon, Philip, will have a powerful ministry for the Lord.

- I. Growing _____ (Acts 8:1-4)
- A. The death of Stephen sparked a _____ of persecution against the local church.
 - B. Saul was the _____ behind the persecutions.
 - C. Saul thought he was doing the _____ of God by persecuting Christians (John 16:2; Phil. 3:4-6).
 - D. Those Christians that decided to leave Jerusalem went to other places carrying the _____ message with them.
 - E. God's will is accomplished by many _____ means.
 - F. _____ in the church can lead to the furtherance of the gospel (Phil. 1:12).
- II. Gospel _____ (Acts 8:5-40)
- A. Philip was an _____.
 - B. Evangelists are a _____ to the local church (Eph. 4:7-14).
 - C. There was a great _____ taking place in Samaria.
 - D. Simon was a man in great spiritual _____.
 - E. Satan does have strongholds on certain _____ (2 Cor. 4:4).
 - F. Yet, the _____ of God's Word can pierce any darkness.
 - G. Simon the sorcerer professed salvation, but he had a lot to _____.
 - H. Many come to Christ with a lot of spiritual _____.
 - I. Discipleship is one of the most _____ ministries of the church.
 - J. Simon was a slave to false _____ (Heb. 12:15).
 - K. God called Philip to _____ this revival.
 - L. The Lord had a Divine _____ for Philip.
 - M. Sometimes God will call you away from the crowds so you can reach _____.
 - N. God crossed Philip's path with a powerful man who was _____ for the Lord.
 - O. There are no _____ when you are following the Lord.
 - P. It is so important to be _____ for the Spirit's voice.
 - Q. People need believers to _____ the way of salvation to them (1 Cor. 2:14; Ro. 10:13-17; Ps. 68:11).
 - R. People need to hear the truth about _____ (Matt. 16:13-18).
 - S. The newly saved Ethiopian was immediately _____.
 - T. The eunuch brought the gospel back to northern _____.

Conclusion: "The winds of affliction were scattering the seeds of the gospel to distant places, and who could estimate the extent of the harvest?" (MacDonald)