**OFFERING:** Questions

Acts 8.29-31, 34-35

# **OFFERING JESUS**

## Key Points:

### We don't need to have all the answers, but we might need open questions.

- Key point 1. Be expectant (Acts 8:29)
  - Philip is listening to God for direction. God is more likely to use you if you have prayed for Him to, and you are expectant about him moving through you.
- Key point 2. Be inquisitive (Acts 8:30)
  - Philip doesn't just barge in and say 'hey, you know what you're reading is from Isaiah, let me tell you about that', instead he asks a question. In asking open questions the emphasis is on the other you don't need to force your faith on anyone, in fact you're not in control.
- Key point 3. Be open (Acts 8:31)
  - Philip is open to the situation and only speaks about Jesus when he's invited to. Be open to offering prayer, sharing your story or trying to answer a question, but don't worry if you don't have the answer.

### Questions:

### **Conversation Starter**

1. Do you find it easy to ask other people open questions?

### Start thinking

2. Was the 'question asking' approach shared on Sunday new or different for you in any way?

#### Start sharing

3. What do you find the most challenging part of sharing faith? What approach have you found to be fruitful in the past?

### Start praying

4. Heavenly Father, I pray for an opportunity to ask someone open questions about faith this week - would you open their hearts to you.

### Start doing

5. As part of the '5 week Offering challenge' ask someone this week where they are on their spiritual journey. Share next week with the group how it went.© 2021 Springfield Church Connect Group Notes