



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

The Moving Church

Take Home Point:

God wants the church to leave its building

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: In the Crossroads Checkers game you played today, how did it feel to leave your safe zone? How is this like the church? (*We need to move out of our "safe zones" or church buildings and take the good news of Jesus to meet people where they are at...our schools and neighborhoods.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Mark an envelope with the notice: "Open at 8:05" (or whatever time you gather for this God Talk). Inside the envelope have a piece of paper that reads: *Congratulations! You are at the right place at the right time. Get some dessert and come back here to answer the following question. "Tell about a time that you were at the right place at the right time to help someone."*

READ THE BIBLE: Acts 8:26-40 God directs Philip to meet and witness to an Ethiopian.

KEY VERSE: Acts 1:8b "...You will be my witnesses to testify about me...to the ends of the earth."

TALK ABOUT IT: Who sent Philip to the special road to meet the Ethiopian? (*Acts 8:26. An angel.*) What was the Ethiopian reading as he traveled? (*Acts 8:28. He was reading from the book of Isaiah.*) Who told Philip to go near the carriage? (*Acts 8:29. The Holy Spirit.*) What did the Ethiopian need that Philip could help him with? (*Acts 8:30-31. Understanding.*) What did Philip help the Ethiopian to understand? (*Acts 8:32-35. That Isaiah was talking about the lamb, Jesus.*) What did the Ethiopian want Philip to do when they found water? (*Acts 8:36-38. He wanted Philip to baptize him.*) What happened to Philip after the baptism? (*Acts 8:39. The Spirit of the Lord took him away. We don't know what this exactly meant, but perhaps God physically moved him to another place.*)

How do you think Philip felt when he was told to go near the carriage? What do you think made the Ethiopian eager and ready to hear about Jesus? (*Perhaps because he was reading the Bible. God had prepared his heart.*)

What does it mean that **God wants the church to leave its building*, according to the key verse, Acts 1:8b?

PRAYER POWER: Have family members pray specifically for friends who may not know Jesus or who are searching for answers. Encourage them to think of those who don't regularly attend church and how the church needs to be on the move in order to reach them with the Good News.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

The church is people that God sends into the world to be his messengers. Think of people you already know who would be interested to hear what you have to say about how Jesus brings us the best life possible. Pray for these people and look for a chance to share your story with them.

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