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Who's your one: Truths and Misconceptions

We have been in this series about who's one person in our life is that is near to us but far from God. As Christians, we tend to fall into judgment about those who are far from God, when in reality, we are called to carry a burden for those that are far from Him. A person isn't just a box you check, it's someone you do life with and, in doing that, you show them the truth of Jesus Christ. Pursuing someone is like putting together a puzzle—we don't quite know how all the pieces fit together, but we know if we trust in God that He will be faithful to help us find out where pieces of their puzzle go that lead to breakthrough. The most important thing we have to do is have faith that God will reveal it and have patience while He does!

Key Scripture | Acts 8:26-38

Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet. The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it." Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked. "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. This is the passage of Scripture the eunuch was reading: "He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he did not open his mouth. In his humiliation he was deprived of justice. Who can speak of his descendants? For his life was taken from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?" Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus. As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?" And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him.

Related Scriptures

Matthew 28:19; 1 Corinthians 3:6-7

Icebreakers:

Q: What is your favorite thing to do on vacation?



Key Thoughts and Reflections:

I. God is already putting pieces together for your "One."

Q: Is obedience to God easy for you?

Q: Is there a time in your life where God asked you to do something and you had no idea why, but it led to something great?

Q: Do you feel as if God cares more for your one or that you care more? Why? Why not?

II. Your "One" is already searching for "missing pieces."

Q: Do you feel comfortable sharing your faith with your one? Why? Why not?

Q: How do you find rest in God?

Q: Have you ever been stuck in a question, problem, or cycle and you couldn't get out? What finally helped?

III. You already have what you need to guide your one to Jesus.

Q: What is one example of something Jesus has done for you in your life?

Q: Who were you before you met Jesus?

Q: Can you think of an example in your life, your one's life, or someone close to you that Jesus forgave, healed, or restored?

Get Practical

You don't have to know the whole puzzle in order to share your faith and the good news of Jesus. This week, spend five minutes each day praying for your one to know God.