

Don't Miss The Chariot!

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Acts 8:26 says, "And the Angel of the Lord spake unto Philip saying, Arise and go toward the south...which is desert." & vers. 27 "And he arose and went."

I believe this is an hour that God wants to speak to His Children...and to arrange divine appointments for us.

"...And behold a man of Ethiopia," sometimes these appointments may be with people that we would never expect to meet.

"an Eunuch of great authority under Candace-Queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure." you never know some of the divine appointments may be with influential people, even from other nations.

vers.29 "Then the Spirit said unto Philip; Go near, and join thyself to this Chariot."

Have you ever had a feeling or desire to do something or go somewhere but you didn't know why? Later you may have realized it was the Spirit trying to direct, but it didn't make sense or perhaps it wasn't convenient or didn't fit into your schedule. So you passed up an opportunity to be used by God.

I believe God speaks to us everyday and throughout the day if we are seeking to do His will. The trouble is, many of us aren't believing He will speak to us, or we're not willing and flexible enough to do what He's saying. We must be careful not to lean on our own understanding.

Philip could have said or thought, "...to the desert? There's nothing happening there." or "Right now? Well, I don't know, it's

awful hot down there, maybe I'll pray about it and seek confirmation."

Meanwhile..the Chariot keeps moving towards the spot Philip is to meet it.

Timing is important when God speaks. We must be willing to be "instant in season and out of season," II Tim.4:2. But Philip didn't procrastinate nor fail to do what God told him to do... instead he was diligent, vers. 30 "And Philip ran thither to him..."

And God had the timing all worked out including their arrival at the water for their "baptismal service!" vers.36b..."and the Eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?"

Most importantly, God had already prepared the Eunuch, but He needed someone to tell him. Jesus said in John 4:35, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

I know in my own life, there have been times when I had "the unction" to share with someone or do something, but I leaned on my own understanding or hesitated until it was too late. The thought process usually goes something like this..."Witness? Oh no!" (fear of rejection comes in) "they probably don't want to hear" (if that doesn't work, then procrastination), "I'll do it later or the next time I see them."

The trouble is you may never see them again... vers.36 "And the Eunuch saw him no more." I believe this verse indicates Philip had a supernatural exit, but the fact remains and the point is, that was the first

and last time they met (on earth) .

But only God knows the impact of the timing and our obedience. I believe there are hours of visitation upon the lives of individuals and even nations, when the time for the harvest is just right. And our obedience at that time could impact whole nations, like I believe it may have through the Eunuch that met Jesus that day. He probably went back and told the Queen and everybody else what happened to him (and to Philip) !

Another trap we can fall into (usually through fear) is described in Proverbs 24:7, "Wisdom is too high for a fool; he openeth not his mouth in the gate." Have you ever had a problem just speaking up? We must open our mouths when God gives us the opportunity. You don't have to be a scholar, Pastor or Evangelist, neither do you have to attend Bible College.

If you are born again... there are plenty of people who have less revelation than you. And all you have to do is share what you know, like Philip did... vers.35 "The Philip opened his mouth and began... and preached unto him Jesus."

Our obedience may lead us to places or blessings that we would never have experi-

enced, had we not done what God told us. It may perhaps even launch us into ministry God wants to give us... vers.40 "But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Casarea."

God had Philip meet the Chariot, but in your life, the "Chariot" represents any divine appointment God may have for you. The Chariot may be any person, place or thing, God has set before you by His divine orchestration.

And it may be an appointment for your benefit. You may need something God wants to give you through someone else, or something God arranged for you. It's the vehicle of God's "Chariot of blessing" for your life.

Someone you meet may greatly need what God wants to give them through you and your life, or maybe it's a contact or a situation, which brings an answer to your prayers which God is wanting to supply. And God also may have a bigger plan than we realize. This is definitely an hour also, that God is linking people together for his purposes. So don't pass up what God wants to do through you. The Lord may be depending on you to "meet the Chariot." 

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