## Welcome Family & Friends

## ONLINE APOLOGETICS SEMINAR



#### WITH KYLE BUTT NOVEMBER 6 - 8, 2020

Do you have questions about the Creation vs. Evolution debate? What does the Bible teach about these important topics? What does science teach about these same topics? Is science and the Bible at conflict? Kyle Butt, of Apologetics Press, will be with us presenting on these topics. Please make your plans to join us online for the weekend! Due to the continuing threat of the spread of the corona virus we are asking visiting congregations to join us online. We will be posting the live feed on our Facebook and YouTube page. You can find our pages by searching for the Sanford church of Christ in NC. You can also view the feed on our website (<a href="www.sanfordchurchofchrist.org">www.sanfordchurchofchrist.org</a>). It will also be played over our FM radio signal at 93.5 FM WJFT.

#### **SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS:**

#### **Friday Evening**

7:00 PM The Case for Creation—General scientific laws used to prove creation.

#### **Saturday Morning**

9:00 AM The "Problem" of the Dinosaurs?—Evidence from science, history, and the Bible

testifying to man's cohabitation with dinosaurs and the many flaws of the evolutionary

time scale.

10:00 AM Creation vs. Evolution—Exposes the false evidence for evolution as presented in text

books.

11:00 AM Does the Bible leave room for Evolution?

11:40 AM Question and Answer Session

#### **Sunday Morning**

9:30 AM Bible Class: Fruits of Atheism—A look at the moral implications of atheism.

10:30 AM Worship: Protecting Our Children's Faith

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## Under Persecution the Gospel Thrives (Acts 8) – Part 3

(Studies on the book of Acts)

#### Review of previous lesson:

- We saw how the Power of the Holy Spirit cannot be bought.
- We also saw how the Power of the Holy Spirit was transferred from the Apostles to fellow Christians.

### In this study:

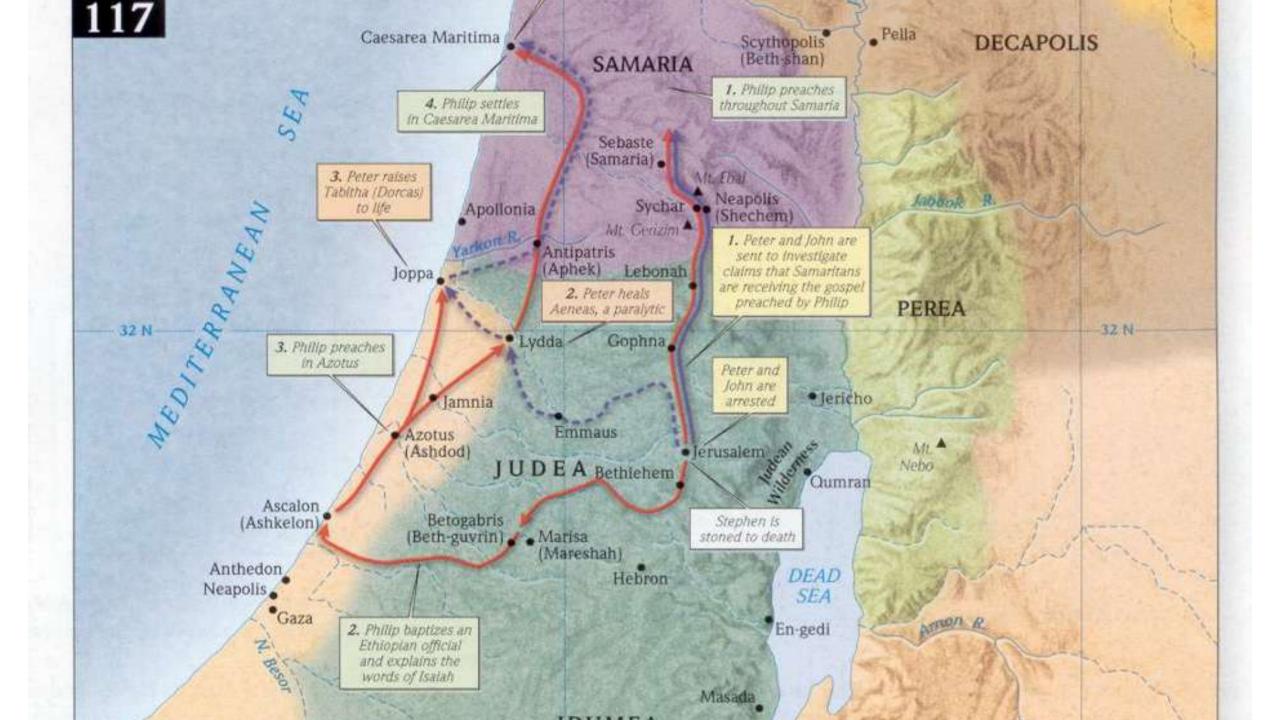
• We will study about the conversion of the Ethiopian Eunuch.

#### Philip evangelizes to the Ethiopian Eunuch

Acts 8:26 – 40

#### Acts 8:26 (ESV)

26 Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place.



### Acts 8:27 – 28 (ESV)

27 And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship 28 and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah.

### Acts 8:29 – 31 (ESV)

29 And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." 30 So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

Romans 10:14 - 17 (ESV)

14 How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? 15 And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" 17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

#### Ephesians 4:11-13 (ESV)

11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,

### Acts 8:32 - 34 (ESV)

32 Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. 33 In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." 34 And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?"

Acts 8:35 (ESV)

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus.

#### 1 Corinthians 2:1 – 2 (ESV)

1 And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. 2 For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. 1 Corinthians 1:18 (ESV) 18 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

## Romans 1:16 (ESV)

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

Acts 8:36 (ESV)

36 And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?"

Notice that is was the Eunuch that asked about being baptized into Jesus Christ.

#### Where's verse 37?

- Acts 8:37 (NKJV) (37 Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.")
- Some manuscript contain this verse and others do not.

Mark 16:15 – 16 (ESV)

15 And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. 16 Whoever believes and baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

Matthew 10:32 - 33 (ESV)

32 So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, 33 but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

## Romans 10:10 (ESV)



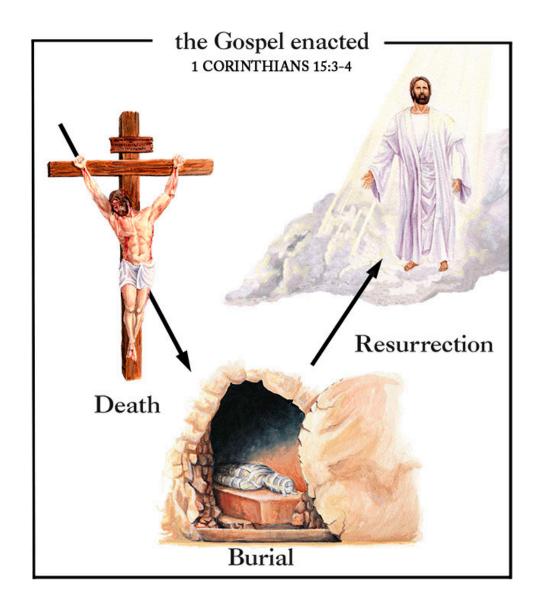
10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

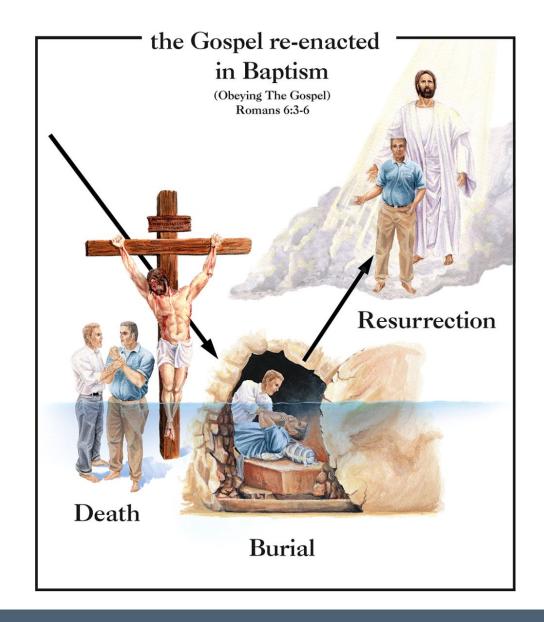
#### Acts 8:38 (ESV)

38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.

# What is the proper mode of baptism?

- Some say it doesn't matter whether it's by sprinkling, pouring, or immersing.
- What does the term baptism mean?
  - The Greek term for baptism is "baptize."
  - It is defined as, "to immerse, submerge; to make whelmed (i.e. fully wet)."
- What does the context of this verse teach us?
  - They both went down into the water.
- If sprinkling or pouring were proper forms of baptism, then why did they both go down into the water.





#### Acts 8:39 - 40 (ESV)

39 And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

In our next study, we will go onto chapter 9!