

## REACHING SIGNIFICANT PEOPLE

When we have problems, don't stay away. If we stay away, darkness will continue and the problem will get worse.

The family unit is the most important unit. If things go wrong in our heart, then everything will go wrong. We are fighting outside and if we can't find rest at home, we will be in trouble. God has to set us free so that we can build the house. If we set wrong priorities, we cannot get the right answers. If we honor God, all other increase will take place.

God wants us to be free. We must choose the right thing, not doing the right wrong thing and expect the right answer. When we choose rightly, God will protect us and bless us. Don't concentrate on the external but concentrate on the internal; our inner man. We must prioritize on God's Kingdom and not be afraid.

God knows our needs before we ask Him. Do not be afraid because fear will rob faith and everything can go wrong.

All that we do in our life is for somebody; is it for ourselves, God or someone else? What are we living for and that will determine the inspiration of our life. If we do it for God we will do things God's ways. If we do it our own way, then we will be using our own principles. If God is first, He will treat us special. The reason why God draw near to us is because we find way to draw near to Him.

We have to work together so that we can build families.

To reach out to the city is different from reaching to do an individual. We need to touch our friends and let them experience God.

*Act 8:26 And the angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, Arise and go toward the south, on the way that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza, which is a deserted place.*

*Act 8:27 And he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasure and had come to Jerusalem to worship,*

*Act 8:28 was returning. And sitting in his chariot he read Isaiah the prophet.*

Act 8:29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, Go near and join yourself to this chariot.

Act 8:30 And Philip ran there to him and heard him read the prophet Isaiah, and said, Do you indeed understand what you are reading?

Act 8:31 And he said, How can I unless some man should guide me? And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him.

Act 8:32 And the content of the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter, and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so He opened not His mouth.

Act 8:33 In His humiliation His judgment was taken away, and who shall declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth."

Act 8:34 And the eunuch answered Philip and said, I beg you, of whom does the prophet speak this? Of himself or of some other man?

Act 8:35 Then Philip opened his mouth and began at the same Scripture and preached the gospel of Jesus to him.

Act 8:36 And as they passed along the way, they came on some water. And the eunuch said, See, here is water, what hinders me from being baptized?

Act 8:37 Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, it is lawful. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

Act 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still. And they both went down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch. And he baptized him.

Act 8:39 And when they had come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more. And he went on his way rejoicing.

Act 8:40 But Philip was found at Azotus. And passing through, he preached the gospel in all the cities until he came to Caesarea.

If we don't know what to do, things will go wrong. Every time when we have an opportunity to save some lives, let's save them. Even when we are in the church, we are still not safe from the attacks of the devil. If the word of God doesn't come to us, we will be in trouble. That's why we need to hear what God is saying. We must touch the people in a special way so that they can be saved. If we realize we have more power than hell, we will be powerful and we can snatch them out.

### 1. We must be prepared to be led by the Spirit

We must allow the Holy Spirit to help us to decide. We must allow the Holy Spirit to lead us from the comfort zone to the battle zone. Philip has gone into the city and the city was rejoicing because there were miracles. He was having the best time of his life. But the Holy Spirit led to the road. When we are having a great time, we don't want to change course. When the Holy Spirit speaks to us, He is our leader. If we know the Holy Spirit, we will meet the right person. If we are led by the Spirit, we will touch good people.

Let the Holy Spirit lead us so that we can take us from the comfort zone; a place where we have settled and a certain way of living, thinking or communicating. At the end of the day, God must lead us and guide us.

If we say they are our friends, why didn't we do the best thing for them? Do the most important thing that they need. If we are led by the Holy Spirit we will be out of our comfort zone.

## **2. Each one can be a potential significant person**

This must be our hope that any person can be touched and they become a better person. We never know how great they can become. The school teacher that led Papa to Christ didn't realize Papa can change the world. We never know the person that we are going to touch will be a great person and in the future, the blessing can flow to us. The person can be a significant person and we can call someone to greatness.

There is a high price to pay for one soul. What a high price to pay for Jesus to touch the man possessed with legions. Just one soul delivered, he went back home and changed Decapolis. The devil will try to keep you busy because he knows when we rise to our potential, God will move sovereignly and we will become powerful.

It takes time to raise good leaders. It takes years. God will have to test us.

## **3. We must wait for the appropriate time to speak**

Philip was hearing what the man was reading. We must not be impatient but wait for the Holy Spirit to lead us to join the conversation. It is important to know the right time to speak. Speak when they are looking for answers. People are looking for answers everywhere; politicians, government, opposition, etc.

We don't want to share to our friends because we don't believe that Jesus is the answer. When we use a product and people can see the change in our skin or face, they will ask us what we use. People don't ask us about Jesus or about our life because the before and after is the same. Jesus and God's word must be working in us so that we can be the proof. We must have it in our life.

#### **4. Understand the protocol accorded to us**

We must respect the whole process. The Utopian eunuch is a high official. There are protocols of what to do. We cannot go to people's house and ask them to turn off the TV or stop talking to the phone. We have to honor the people we are trying to save and respect them. The more we do, the more they know we care for them. We must observe protocols. Treat them with respect. If we want God to use us, we must learn because wherever we go there are rules and regulations. Don't push them down. Give them the respect. Let them ask questions and we reply. If they are responsive, give them more. If they are defensive, find another time.

We must find the best to give our friends. Talk to everyone that we care so that they receive the best gift and receive the best news. We have no right to say they won't listen even before we talk to them. Don't be prejudice. We have been blessed by God. It is time to bless others. Don't become so busy in the world and lose our soul. Reach out to somebody before it is too late.