

*“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter; like a lamb that is silent before its shearer he did not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who will be able to speak of his posterity? For his life on earth has been taken away.”*

Then the eunuch said to Philip, “Please tell me, about whom is the prophet speaking—about himself or someone else?” And so Philip, starting with this text of Scripture, proceeded to explain to him the good news of Jesus.

As they were traveling along the road, they came to some water.

The eunuch said, “Look, here is some water. What is to prevent me from being baptised?”

And Philip said, “If you believe with all your heart, you may.”

The eunuch said in reply, “I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.” Then he ordered the chariot to stop, and Philip and the eunuch both went down into the water, and he baptised him.

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but he went on his way rejoicing.

## Thought for the Day

One of the enriching elements of our generation is the great proliferation of people from all over the world that is now found in our big cities. Although it can be a challenge to see culture change, we can also notice new vibrancy in many of our churches and institutions. However, this is hardly a new phenomenon. Philip, the disciple, a Jew with a Greek name, meets a rich African eunuch on the road. He is encouraged by the Spirit to reach out to the stranger, which he does successfully.

Could the Spirit be encouraging you to reach out to someone you don't know? Maybe someone from a different culture?