

# **FRONTLINE**

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## **Why Tell Anyone?**

Preface:

Spiritual training is for people who have committed their lives to Christ. Being a Christ follower and being one with the Holy Spirit will enable Gods spiritual truths to transform you into a new person, from the inside out. Without these truths, these are good intentioned moral activities with no heart supporting the reason why you would do these things.

**Why should we share the “Good News”?**

### **Mark 16:15-16**

<sup>15</sup>He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.

<sup>16</sup>Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

**What is your world?**

### **Romans 10:14-15**

<sup>14</sup>How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? <sup>15</sup>And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

### **1 Thessalonians 2:8**

<sup>8</sup>We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.

**What does it mean to share your life with someone?**

**Do these verses make you feel like you have a part to play? Why / Why Not?**

**\*Split into groups and read the 2 scriptures below and then answer the questions as a group.**

### **Acts 8:26-40**

<sup>26</sup>Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." <sup>27</sup>So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian<sup>[a]</sup>eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians. This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, <sup>28</sup>and on his way home was

sitting in his chariot reading the book of Isaiah the prophet. <sup>29</sup>The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it."

<sup>30</sup>Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked.

<sup>31</sup>"How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

<sup>32</sup>The eunuch was reading this passage of Scripture:

"He was led like a sheep to the slaughter,  
and as a lamb before the shearer is silent,  
so he did not open his mouth.

<sup>33</sup>In his humiliation he was deprived of justice.  
Who can speak of his descendants?  
For his life was taken from the earth."<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>34</sup>The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?" <sup>35</sup>Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus.

<sup>36</sup>As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. Why shouldn't I be baptized?"<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>38</sup>And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup>When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup>Philip, however, appeared at Azotus and traveled about, preaching the gospel in all the towns until he reached Caesarea.

- **Who is in this account?**

- **What happened?**

### **Acts 3:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. <sup>2</sup>Now a man crippled from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. <sup>3</sup>When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. <sup>4</sup>Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" <sup>5</sup>So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

<sup>6</sup>Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." <sup>7</sup>Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. <sup>8</sup>He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. <sup>9</sup>When all the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup>they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

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### **Application**

God calls us to tell people about His love, He gives us the privilege of bringing the "good news". This week, have a conversation with a friend about how God has affected your life. Invite them to a Friday night service, to church, or to a Young Life club, etc... Tell them about experiences you've had with the God of the universe, and let them know they can have the same relationship. Remember, God is with you 100% of the way in this, so be bold and let him show you how awesome it can be to share your faith!