

Keys to Sharing Your Faith May 30, 2021 Discussion Notes

Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible

(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)



Questions:

1. Have you ever shared your faith with someone? What did you say? How did it go?
2. Who first shared the message about Christ with you? What do you remember about that?
3. Review: The sermon by Pastor David Beaver was based on 1 Peter 3:15. What stood out to you? What do you remember about each of the main points (seen above)? Do you have any questions to bring up?
4. Read Acts 8:26-40
 - a) What stands out to you in this story?
 - b) Now read 1 Peter 3:15 again and compare it to this story. In what ways did Philip practice the principles found in 1 Peter 3:15? (take some time examine this and discuss it)
 - c) Would you have been able to answer the Ethiopian official's questions about Isaiah 53?
 - d) What steps could you take to be better prepared to "give an answer"?
5. God caused Philip and the Ethiopian official to cross paths. Who might God have caused you to cross paths with so that they might hear about "the reason for the hope that you have"?
6. Read 1 John 5:14-15
 - a) What does this passage teach will happen when we pray according to God's will?
 - b) Do you believe it is God's will for you to be effective at sharing your faith?
 - c) If yes, what confidence can you have when you pray that God will help you share Christ with others?
7. Pray with confidence now that the Lord will equip you to share the gospel with those in your path. Pray for opportunities and for the power of the Holy Spirit. And pray for any specific needs in your group.