PHILLIP BAPTIZED A MAN FROM ETHIOPIA

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Acts 8:27
Phillip and some of Jesus’ disciples, were telling people in the small towns of Samaria about Jesus Christ, God’s son and many people believed the good news.
Then God sent an angel to tell Phillip
"Go this way into the desert.
God has something for you to do."
Phillip listened and obeyed.
He wondered why God had sent him to such a lonely place, but he knew that God’s Spirit was with him. God wanted Phillip to tell someone about Jesus.
Soon a very important man, from the country of Ethiopia, came past in his chariot. He was the boss of the Queen of Ethiopia's treasure and he was reading the words of Isaiah, from the Bible.
Phillip asked the man if he understood the words he was reading.
“I can’t understand them,” he answered, “and I have no one to teach me.”
So Phillip explained to the man from Ethiopia how God had written long ago about his Son and that anyone who believes in Jesus and was baptized, would become a child of God.
“I want to get baptized right now,” the Ethiopian man said.
“If you truly believe with all you heart you can,” Phillip replied.
“I do believe Jesus is the Son of God,” the man said,
so Phillip baptized him in the river straight away.