

Sermon Notes - Sunday 27th October
Acts – The Church and Evangelism

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- Should every Christian be an evangelist?
- How do we know when to share our faith?
- Do you find it difficult to share your faith?
- Why? (There may be several reasons).
- What might help you to be more effective in sharing your faith?
- How do we know that the Holy Spirit was at work in the Ethiopian's life?
- Contrast this with the story of Stephen in Acts 6-7. Should we sometimes expect opposition and antagonism?
- On what other occasions in Acts did the Holy Spirit prepare someone to receive the gospel?

The Ethiopian was an important and influential person.

- Can you think of other influential people that the early Christians led to faith?
- What influential people should you be praying for/speaking to?

The Ethiopian was also disabled in one important respect.

- Can you think of people who are disabled or isolated whom you could befriend?

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