The Value of One lost Soul!

Acts 8: 26-40

I. The declaration of the value of God's calling to serve (Philip)

- Ch. 7: 60 The first Martyr of the New Testament Church was Stephen

- Ch. 8: 5 The First Evangelist of the New Testament Church was Philip

II. The declaration of the value of one Lost Soul

- God demonstrated that the Greatest Value on the planet was one Soul!

- Jesus declared the value of two – Matthew 18; 20 "where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

- But the Holy Spirit Demonstrated how to get that two – He sent one to touch one lost soul!

John 3: 16 says, "For God so loved the world – the kosmos – the sum of the universe/ But he showed here just how valuable one lost soul was!

Matthew 16: 26 Jesus said, "What does it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" But here, Philip left a very thriving revival where many souls were coming to God to reach one lost, hungry soul. (vs 27, 28)

And he was from a place called Ethiopia – one of the greatest kingdoms in Africa, south of Arabia, next to the Tigris and the Euphrates rivers, just south of Egypt but who lives there? Hamites – the cursed seed of Noah!

What is his name? He has no name, only a description.

Eunuch – great Authority/Candace queen of Ethiopia

No Name but a great need – He was returning from Church! He was coming from Jerusalem where he had been on a quest for some answers but had found none.   He was either a Jew or a Jewish proselyte. Whatever he was, it was not enough, he was searching for more than what he had.

III. The declaration of the need in an empty soul

Vs 29-30 The Spirit said to Philip…

Notice – There was no racism/ there was no class/There was no pride/There was no fear/There was no hesitation…

- God guided this man for years

- To this appointment in his life

- The Spirit, The word, the Hunger, The Message the Faith, The understanding,

1. **The Declaration of the Christ**

    - He was led to the slaughter

    - He opened not his mouth

    - He had no Friends—who shall declare his generation? Even God turned away!

    - He was killed

2. **The Declaration of the Believer**

    - He Believed that Jesus is the Son of God

    - He believed in the death and the burial – He was baptized!

Acts 16: 25 – the Philippian jailor believed and was baptized and his house

Then Philip was led away… we hear no more about Philip but verse 40 -- no more

The Eunuch was led away. And we hear no more about him but we do hear and see his work.

This man came to Jerusalem looking for answers and was man by a man who was sent by the Holy Spirit of God. He went home knowing that he was now a believer and follower of Jesus, and where he went would be influenced by the personal change that had taken place in his life.

1st John 2: 12 "Through faith in the finished work of Jesus our sins are forgiven."

Colossians 1: 20– "Through faith in the finished work of Jesus we have peace with God."

Colossians 3: 3 "For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."

Ephesians 2: 6 we sit together in heavenly places "God who is rich in mercy hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places."

Phillipians 4: 19 In Jesus our every need is met---"My God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus"

Romans 6: 23   For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

But to me the best is –

Acts 2: 38 "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

- Our Sins are forgiven!

- We have peace with God!

- We are hid with Christ in God!

- We sit together in Heavenly places!

- We have our needs supplied by God by his endless resources!

- We receive the gift of eternal life!

- We receive the gift of the Holy Ghost!

The Hunger of this man was met with God's Spirit…. God Values one hungry soul… Blessed are you when you hunger and thirst after righteousness, you shall be filled!