

## “... Philip Went Down ...”

Acts 8:5-12

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Last week we considered...

I. The Called (all believers)

### **II. The Calling**

“Went” is the past tense of “Go”. Philip o\_\_\_\_\_. The Lord has given u\_\_ a calling to “Go ... into all the world...” (Mat.28:18-19; Mar.16:15)

We must go “down” out of our c\_\_\_\_\_ zone where sinners live. (Act.8:5)

We have n\_\_\_ been called to come apart and live in a Christian commune. (Mat.5:13-16)

Our Lord, Himself, came d\_\_\_\_\_ into the depths of this world of woe in order to rescue us. He came to where w\_\_ were. (Joh.6:38-39; Luk.19:10; Psa.40:1-3)

Our calling is to those in the f\_\_\_\_ of sin, which is where we would be but for the g\_\_\_\_\_ of God. (Mat.9:10-13)

If we are to rescue the perishing w\_\_ must “go down” where t\_\_\_\_\_ are: in the workplace, in the neighborhood, in our families, in this community, and all over this world.

To proclaim Christ is the g\_\_\_\_\_ calling anyone could have. And e\_\_\_\_\_ believer has this privilege.

E\_\_\_\_\_ life is knowing and fellowshiping with the Father, and His Son, Jesus Christ. (Joh.17:3; 1Jo.1:3-4)

To not know Christ is to miss life, to be d\_\_\_\_\_, and to be headed for the second d\_\_\_\_\_. (Eph.2:1; Rev.20:14-15)

Our calling is to a\_\_\_\_\_ kinds of sinners! (List some! Rom.1:1,14-31)

May God help us not to be the “f\_\_\_\_\_ chosen”! One day we shall meet Him Who has put us under orders to “Go down and preach Me to them!”

### **III. The Credentials**

A credential is that which shows that a person has the right to exercise o\_\_\_\_\_ power.

Philip did n\_\_\_ have the authority of the completed Word of God to confirm that he was giving God’s message. God credentialed Philip with miraculous s\_\_\_\_\_. (Act.8:6-7; 2:22; Joh.10:36-38; 14:10-12; Heb.2:3-4)

### **IV. The Conversions**

One of the great evidences of conversion is that people “give heed” (l\_\_\_\_\_ and o\_\_\_\_\_) to God’s Word as those who have now been saved and brought under the rule of King Jesus. (Act.8:6,8,12; 1Jo.2:3-6)

G\_\_\_\_\_ gave the conversions. (1Co.3:5-9)

J\_\_\_\_\_ is one of the noticeable fruits of conversion. (Gal.5:22; Luk.15) Do you have these joys?