

**Discussion / Reflection Guide -- “Yes, Here I Am”
Week of November 5, 2017**

Read Acts 8:1-40

- How might the scattering of believers have been good for the church? How did God use this “evil” for good?
- Has God ever used an “evil” in your life to bring about something good? What was it? How did He do it?
- Phillip had done some pretty powerful stuff in the first part of the chapter. Do you suppose he resented God sending him to some lonely spot on the road in order to minister to *just one person* in the last part of the chapter?
- Why would the Ethiopian have gone to Jerusalem to worship? How might this have prepared him to receive the Gospel message from Phillip?
- What passage was the Ethiopian reading? Of whom was the passage speaking? Why would this passage be especially appropriate for Phillip to talk about Jesus? Why was Phillip especially qualified to address this passage?
- Why do you think the angel told Phillip to go “walk beside” the Ethiopian instead of telling him to go preach or teach to the man? Why is “walking beside” someone important? What would it look like for you to “walk beside” someone?
- What steps have you taken to “walk beside” someone who needs to hear the Gospel? What lessons could you learn from Phillip in this regard? How could his approach help you?
- Reflect: if God called you to go do something like this, would you? Could you? If not, why not? What steps can you take to change your “no” to a “yes”?