

Scripture: Ten Commandments (Ex. 20) – Acts 8:26-40
Singing: 166 – 140:1 – 349 – 417:1 – 372 – 425:5 – 407

<p style="text-align: center;">The Confession and Baptism of the Eunuch I. His desire II. His confession III. His baptism</p>
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I. The Eunuch's Desire

- A. God brought the eunuch to His Word and His Word to the eunuch (vs. 27)
1. Though he was well-to-do, he was not doing well

 2. God does not do a half work: *if He makes thirsty, He will satisfy* (Ps. 42:1)

 3. God preached the Gospel to him through Philip (vs. 32-35)
 - a. Philip preached Jesus as the provision of the Father for lost sinners

 - b. As he preached, Holy Spirit made the eunuch's heart burn for Jesus

II. The Eunuch's Confession

- A. Philip's preaching 'caught' a man soul' (35)
1. The Gospel of Jesus became irresistible for the eunuch (vs. 36)

 2. But it appears he might have felt 'hindrances' to believe it was for him

 3. Has our soul been caught like the eunuch's?
- B. Philip's answer invites a man's soul (37a)
1. His answer is purest & simplest Gospel message (vs. 37a; Is. 55:1)

 2. This answer is also true for us *whoever and wherever you are!*
 - a. What we often think hinders us, doesn't hinder us

 - b. What hinders us the most?

- C. The eunuch's confession is where all need to come
1. This elementary confession embraced the whole Gospel of Is. 53
 - a. Jesus is a real, righteous man Who died for others
 - b. Jesus is also Son of God: to give infinite value to His work
 2. "I believe..." means *I forsake all to trust Him only* for my salvation

III. The Eunuch's Baptism

- A. Philip baptized the eunuch (38) upon his confession of faith (Mark 16:16)
- B. What did his baptism mean?
1. It pictured what God has done to all who by faith in Christ
 2. It would have strengthened the eunuch faith in Gospel of Is. 53: (vs. 39b)

CLOSING REMARKS:

- A. Belonging to a church is not saving though it will bring much good
- B. Only personal faith in Jesus Christ is saving: John 6:53; Acts 13:38-40
1. in salvation is not about ***who you are***
 2. in salvation it is *to Whom you belong* or *Whom you trust*

**Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace
in believing,
that ye may abound in hope,
through the power of the Holy Ghost.
Romans 15:13**