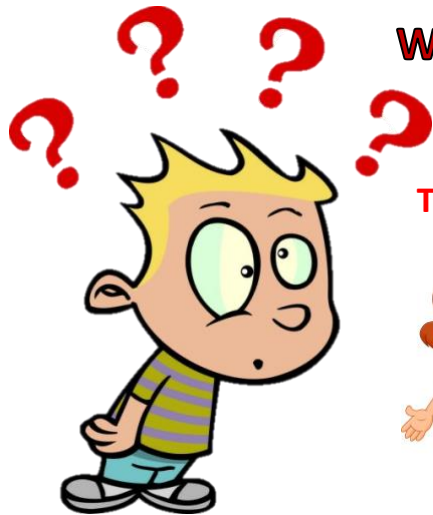


Acts 8.26-38

Getting the answer!



When you've got questions, how do you go about getting answers?

Tick the box if you use any of these for getting answers



Newspapers or magazines



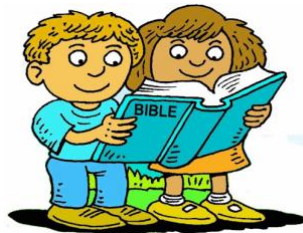
Google on the internet



Your parents or carers



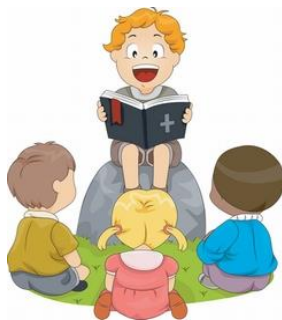
Your teacher at school



The Bible



Books in the library



Your Sunday School teachers



TV programmes or a mobile phone



Your friends

The 'wise men' went to Jerusalem, looking for answers.

Today's story is about another man who'd gone to Jerusalem.

He, too, had been looking for answers

And the story tells us how this man eventually got

THE ANSWER!

Read **Acts 8.26-28**

Try building up a



on the man

I Which country did the man come from?

Do you know what the flag of this country is like?
Tick which you think is the correct answer.

(Try and find out the other countries whose flags are shown. They all come from the same continent and begin with the same letter)



²⁶ Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Go south to the road – the desert road – that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' ²⁷ So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, who was an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means 'queen of the Ethiopians'). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, ²⁸ and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet.



2

What was his job?

(I've given you the letters you'll need!)

vowels

He was an

consonants

a a i i

f f c l m

i o o

n p r t t

in charge of all the

vowels

consonants

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Why had he gone to Jerusalem?

He had gone to Jerusalem to

(the letters you'll need are scattered around the blank spaces for your answer!)

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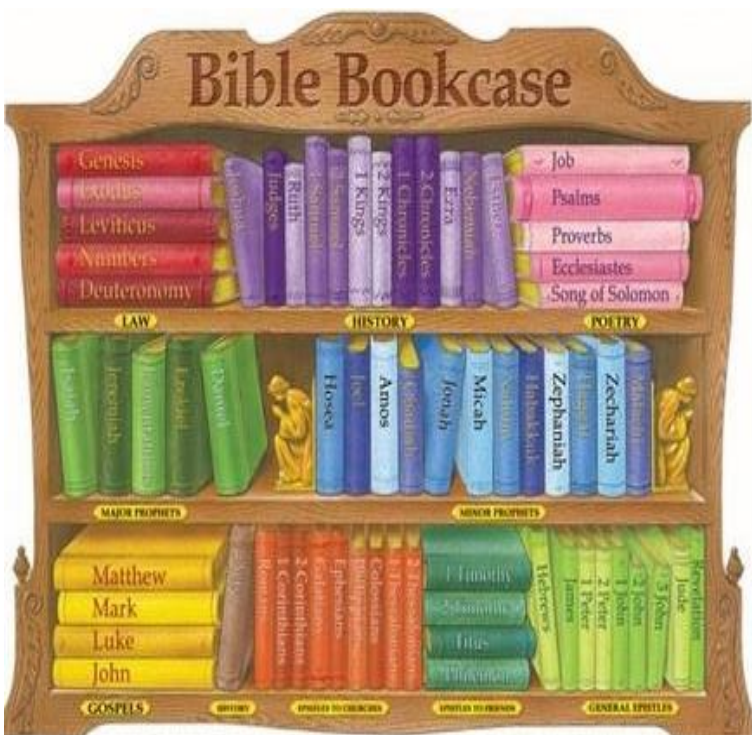
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4

What was he reading?

He was reading from the prophet

Can you spot where that book of the Bible is in the bookcase?

Draw a circle round it!

God wanted to help the man.
That's why He'd sent Philip to meet the man

Read **Acts 8:29-31**

The man was reading from the Bible.

He was really excited by what he was reading!

But

He couldn't really understand it.

29 The Spirit told Philip, 'Go to that chariot and stay near it.'

30 Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. 'Do you understand what you are reading?' Philip asked.

31 'How can I,' he said, 'unless someone explains it to me?'

So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

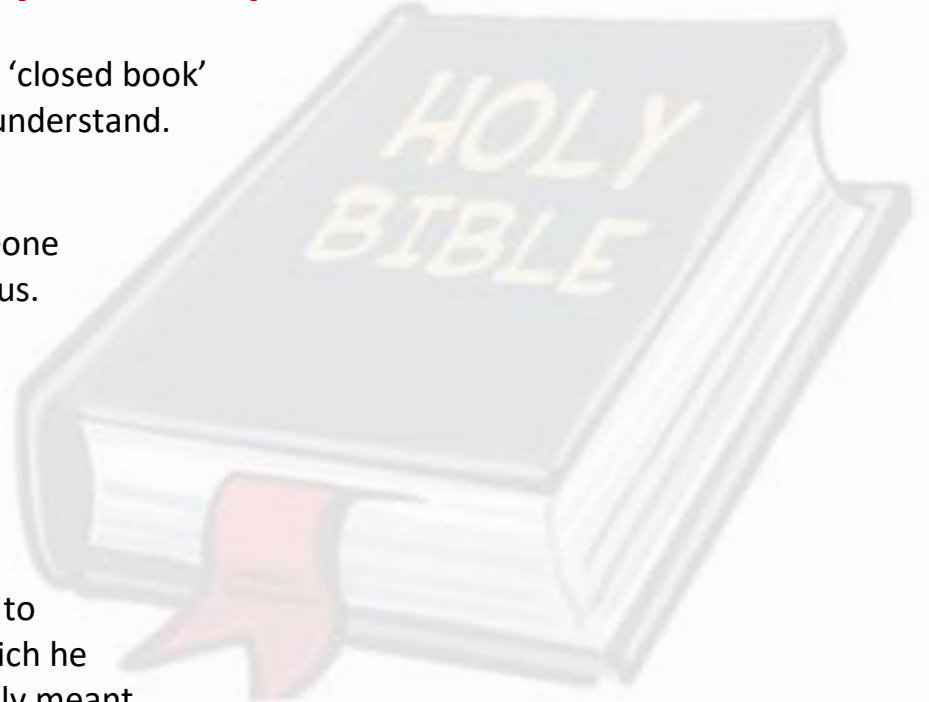
The Bible isn't actually that complicated !

But it can sometimes remain a 'closed book' because we find it difficult to understand.

Sometimes we just need someone to help explain its meaning to us.

Philip was a very ordinary person really. But he loved Jesus and had learned from others what the Bible taught.

So he was able to help explain to this man what the passage which he was reading in the Bible actually meant.



Take a moment to thank God for all the people who help explain the Bible to you and help you get to know Jesus



Here's the Bible passage which the man was reading.

'He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he did not open his mouth. In his humiliation he was deprived of justice. Who can speak of his descendants? For his life was taken from the earth.'

The man wondered –

Who is this?

Read

Acts 8.34-35

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, 'Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?'

³⁵Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus.



Philip explained to the man who this person was.

See if you can put the bits below together in such a way that you get the name of the person



(You'll be able to see the answer at the end of the worksheet!)

Write the answer here!





Understanding what the Bible teaches is important.

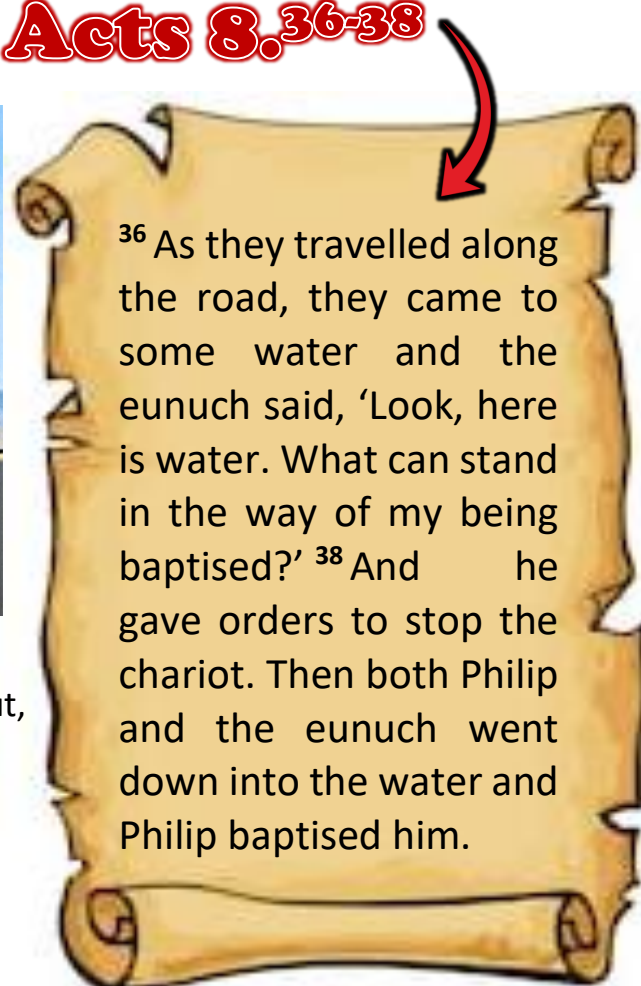
But once you've understood what the Bible says, it's important, too, to ...



So see what happened next read **Acts 8.36-38**



Now that he'd found out who the Bible was talking about, the man knew what he had to do!



He wanted to be a follower of Jesus.

He had trusted Jesus as the person who had suffered in his place and through whom he could be forgiven.

He wanted the world to know that Jesus is Lord!

A prayer

Think about what you've been learning today.
Now try praying this prayer (or making up your own prayer!)

Thank You, Jesus, for all the people who help me understand what the Bible has to say.

I know it's an important book, because it's God's book – please help me to understand it more and more.

It's exciting to see how glad this man was to find out about You and about what You've done for us when You died and rose again.

Thank You for the promise which You've made that everyone who trusts in You will be forgiven because of what You've done for us.

I want to be like the man in the story and give myself to You.

I want to follow You all my life, because You are King and You always look after Your people wisely and well.



Today's verse for you to try and remember!

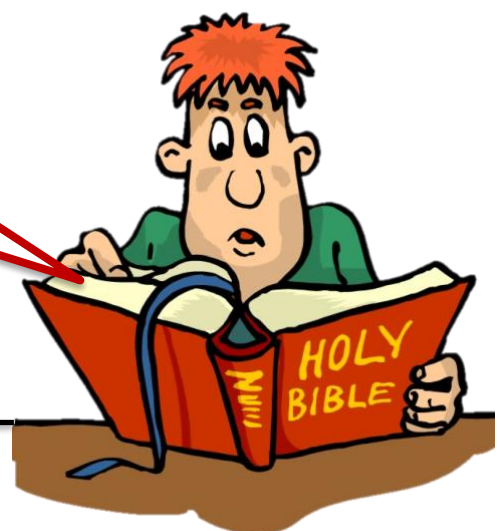
DO YOU
UNDERSTAND WHAT
YOU ARE READING?

ACTS 8:26-40

HOW CAN I, UNLESS
SOMEONE GUIDES ME?

**“Philip began
with that very passage of
Scripture and told him
the good news
about Jesus”**

Acts 8.35



Spot the difference!

See if you can spot all 8 differences between the two pictures
(Colour in the pictures too!)



A PUZZLE from Acts 8

There are lots of different things hidden in the picture. See if you can find them all and colour in the picture! Here's what you're looking for: keyhole, olive, cow horn, ice cream cone, snowman, fish, candle, easter egg, screwdriver



For you to COLOUR IN



.... and finally
the answer
to the puzzle on page 5

Here's how you fit the pieces together to spell the name ...

