

## Journey Kids Club: JKTV Episode 40



This month we will continue in the book of Acts and see how the early church grew through people like Philip, Saul (who is also called Paul), Lydia, and Peter. Their stories can encourage us as we think about what Jesus is still doing in his church.

This episode's Bible story is from Acts 8:26-40. The Big Idea is: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone.** Philip was sent on an amazing mission to tell the story of Jesus to someone he had never met and who wasn't even from his country. He learned that Jesus' story is for everyone!

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*The following activities can be done as a family or with some 'bubble' friends. Each activity will take around 5-8 minutes. If you would like to print off more pages for an activity, go to our website, [www.onthejourney.ca](http://www.onthejourney.ca), and click on the links for this episode to find downloadable pages.*

### **Activity 1:** Good News!

*Supplies:* (provided) Good News! headlines, (from home) Scrap paper or pages from a newspaper, scissors, glue stick

Talk about it:

- Discuss: What is good news? What are some examples of good news?
- Have you shared this good news with other people?
- How is the story of Jesus good news?
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone!**

Instructions:


- Tell your child they will be creating their own newspaper with the headlines from the provided sheet. They will cut out the different headlines and glue them to create the paper.
- As they work on their newspaper, ask them what story could be written under each headline? (you can just talk about it, they don't have to write it all out)
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone!**

### **Activity 2:** Memory Verse Activity

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Rom 10:15b (NIV)

*Supplies:* (provided) Key Verse Colouring Sheet, (from home) markers/pencil crayons

- Read the memory verse together.



"How beautiful  
are the feet of  
those who bring  
good news!"

Romans 10:15b

Good News Scenarios - talk about how you can share the good news of Jesus in each of these scenarios (or act them out!)

Scenario 1: You are meeting friends at the park and they tell you they are feeling sad about not being able to see their family in Nova Scotia right now. (How can you share the hope of Jesus?)

Scenario 2: You make a video about the good news of Jesus and want to share it on social media (what kind of video would you make?)

Scenario 3: You are at school during recess and a friend finds out you go to church and asks why? (what could you share with them?)

Scenario 4: You have new neighbors who have moved in close to your house. They have children your age. How could you invite them to watch JKTV?

**GOOD NEWS!**

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**Tell All About It!**

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**Man Tells Ethiopian  
About Jesus!**

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**Children Tell Friends  
About Jesus!**

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**People Hear Good  
News About Jesus  
And Are Changed!**

- Ask: Why do you think it says the feet are beautiful? (to tell others we often have to go somewhere)
  - How can you bring the good news about Jesus to others? (brainstorm some ways they can do this)
- If your child is interested, invite them to colour the sheet.
- Put it up somewhere that you can see it this week and try to say it together at least once a day.

### **Activity 3:** Reader's Theater

*Supplies:* (provided) Scenarios sheet, (from home) Bible or Bible app

*Parent Tip:* Use a child-friendly version of the Bible. The NLT version is written for a grade 6 reading level and is often easier to read and understand than other versions.

Instructions:

- Look up Acts 8:26-40 together. Depending on how many people are reading, divide the reading this way:
  - Narrator
  - Philip
  - Lord/Holy Spirit
  - Ethiopian
- Read the story together, inviting everyone to use their imagination to picture the story.
- Using the scenarios sheet, talk about how you could share the good news of Jesus in those situations, try doing it as a role-play. Another option is to act out the scenarios for each other.
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone!**

### **Activity 4:** Pray together

*Supplies:* (from home) scrap paper and pencil or pen

- Together, think of the places you go and the people you are in contact with on a regular basis and write them down.
- Choose one or two from your list to pray about how you can share the good news of Jesus this month.
- Sample Prayer: Dear God, thank you for the people who shared the good news of Jesus with me. I pray for \_\_\_\_\_. Show me how I can share this good news with them as well. Amen.