

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!

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

Activity 1: Who Is Missing?

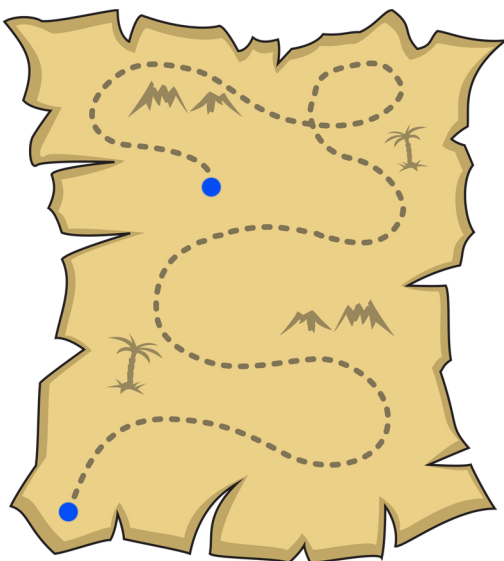
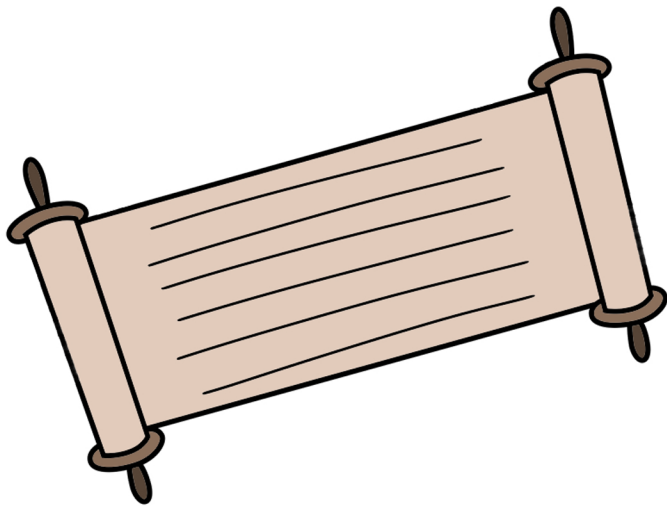
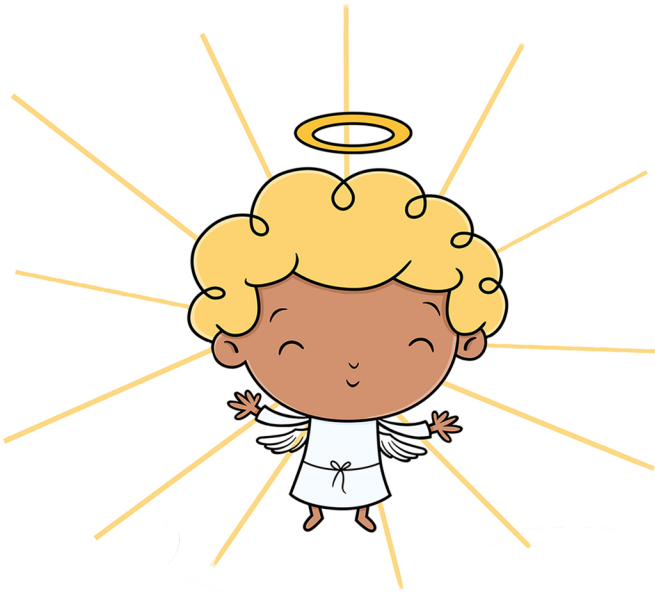
Supplies: Story pictures (provided), small blanket or towel (from home)

Instructions:

- Place all the pictures face up on a table or the floor. Look at each of the pictures and explain how they're part of today's story from Acts 8 in the Bible:
 - Philip
 - Angel
 - Road map from Jerusalem to Gaza
 - Scroll of book of Isaiah
 - Man in chariot
 - Philip baptizing man
- Cover the pictures with a small blanket or towel. Direct your child to close their eyes and cover them with their fingers. Remove one or two pictures and turn them upside down. Encourage your child to guess which pictures are missing.
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone!**

Activity 2: Memory Verse Activity

Supplies: Key verse card (provided) "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:15b, memory verse colouring sheet (provided)



PHILLIP BAPTIZED A MAN FROM ETHIOPIA

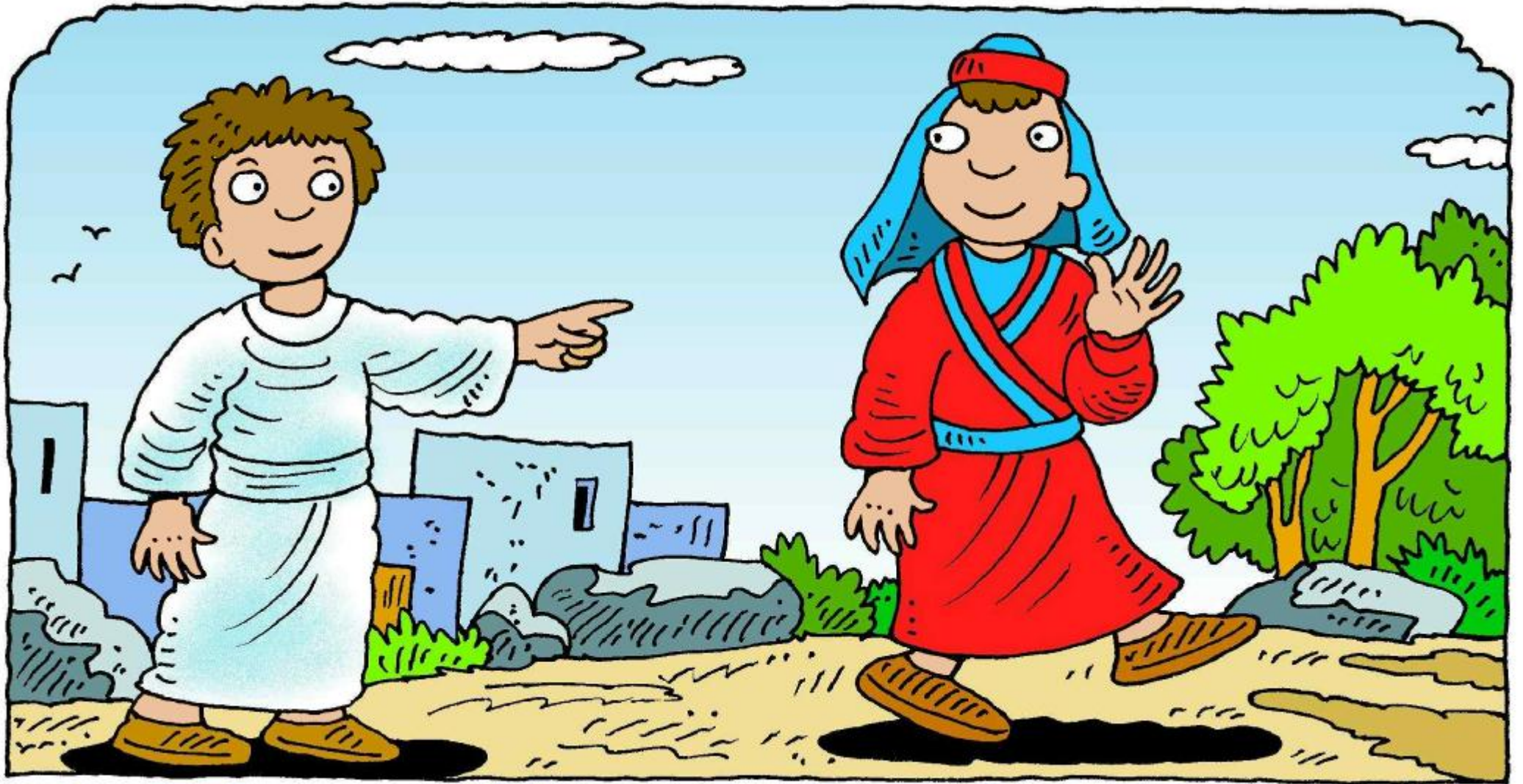
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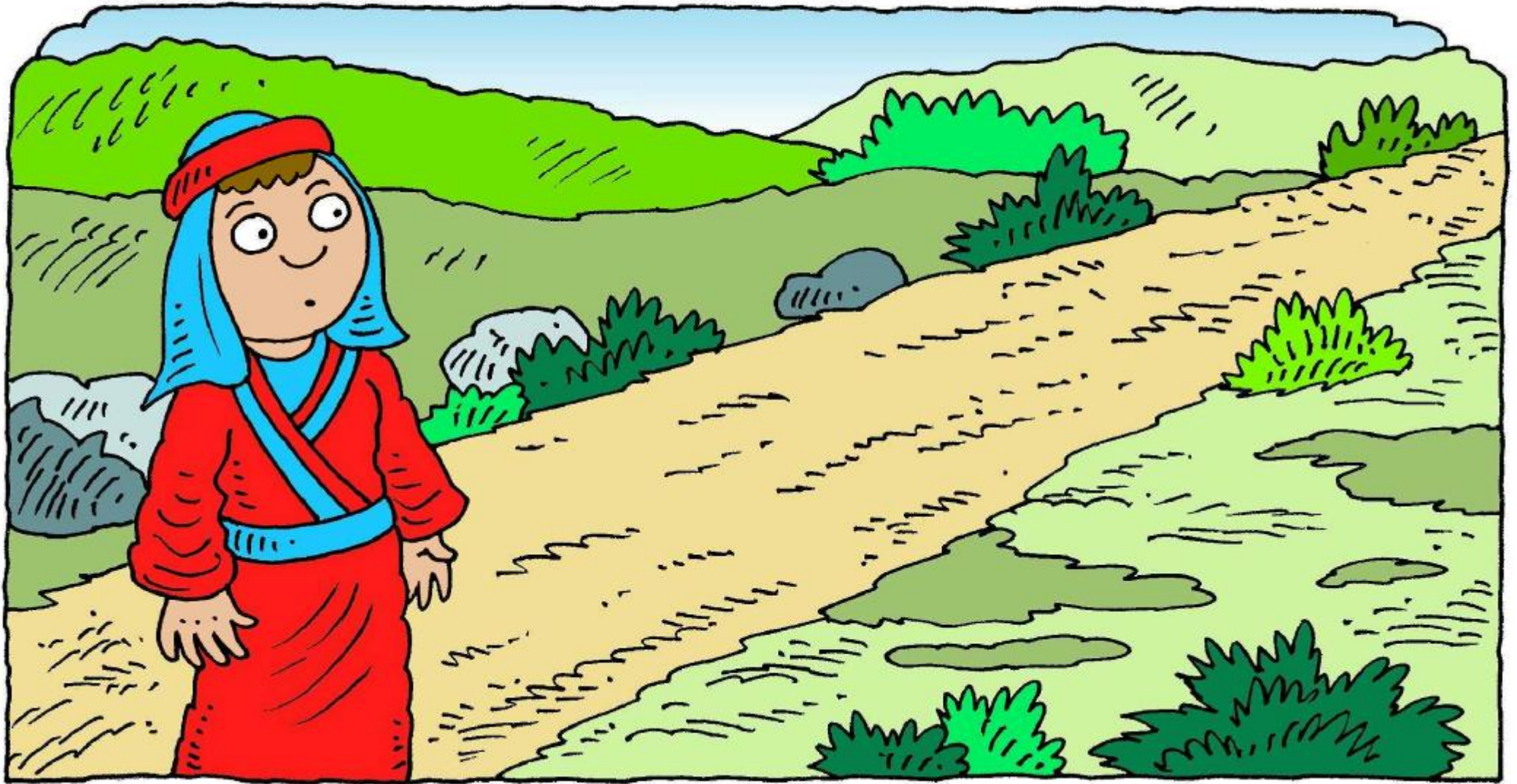




Phillip and some of Jesus' disciples,
were telling people in the small towns of
Samaria about Jesus Christ, God's son
and many people believed the good news.



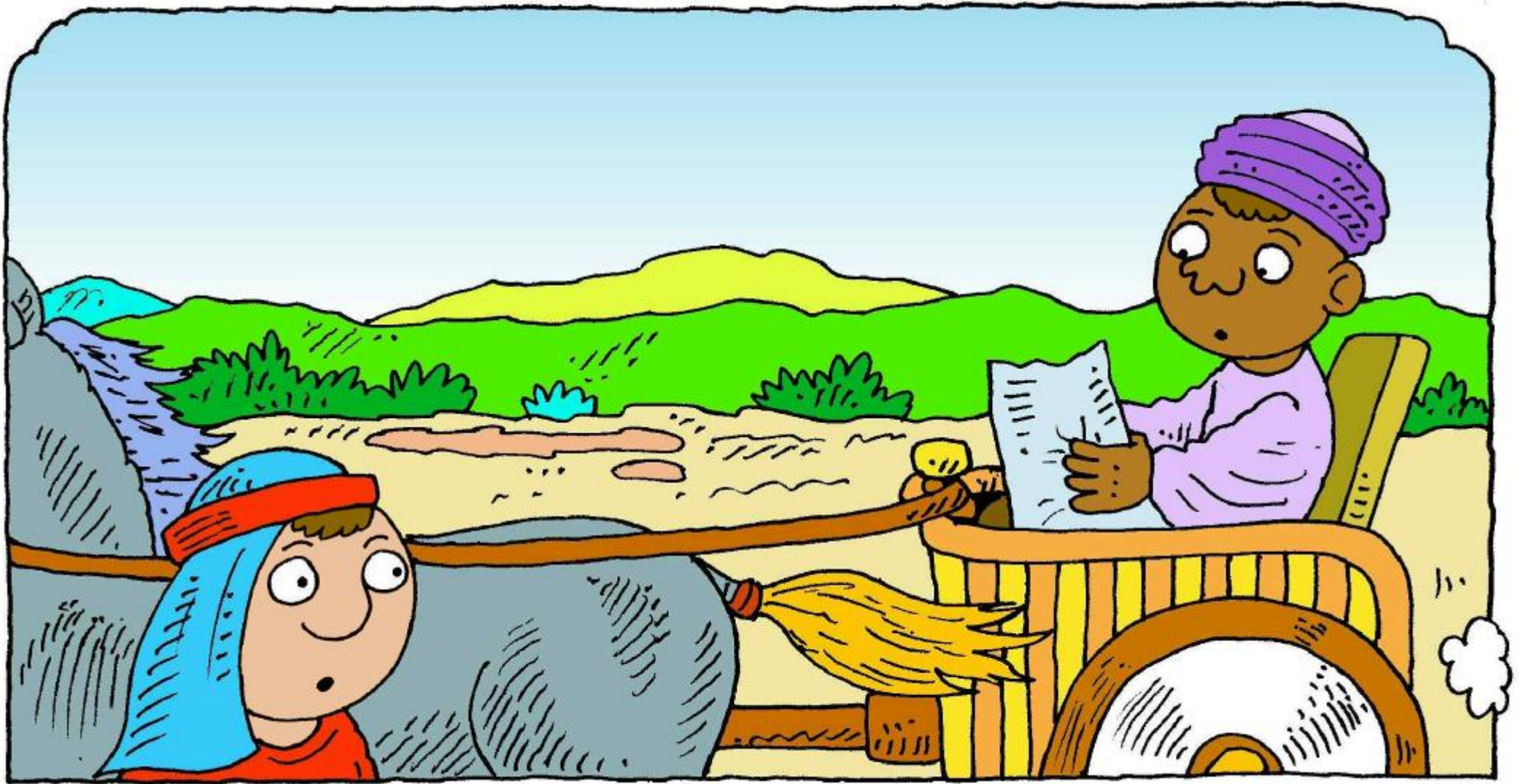
Then God sent an angel to tell Phillip
“Go this way into the desert.
God has something for you to do.”
Phillip listened and obeyed.



He wondered why God had sent him to such a lonely place, but he knew that God's Spirit was with him. God wanted Phillip to tell someone about Jesus.



Soon a very important man, from the country of Ethiopia, came past in his chariot. He was the boss of the Queen of Ethiopia's treasure and he was reading the words of Isaiah, from the Bible.



Phillip asked the man if he understood
the words he was reading.
“I can’t understand them,” he answered,
“and I have no one to teach me.”



So Phillip explained to the man from Ethiopia how God had written long ago about his Son and that anyone who believes in Jesus and was baptized, would become a child of God.



“I want to get baptized right now,” the Ethiopian man said.
“If you truly believe with all you heart you can,” Phillip replied.
“I do believe Jesus is the Son of God,” the man said,
so Phillip baptized him in the river straight away..




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

Romans 10:15b

 **Key Verse**

PRESCHOOL



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

Romans 10:15b

Instructions:

- Make up a silly sounding song with the memory verse. Add some actions and repeat the song as many times as your child is interested. If your child is willing, make a short video and send it to pastor Sarah for use on JKTV! (sarah@onthejourney.ca)
- Allow your child to use the memory verse colouring sheet as another way to practice the memory verse.

Activity 3: Bible story

Supplies: Philip baptized a man from Ethiopia booklet (provided)

Instructions:

- Explain that today's story is from the Bible.
- Read the story from the provided booklet, showing your child the pictures as you read.
- Ask:
 - Who told the important man about Jesus? (Philip)
 - What was the important man riding in? (a carriage/chariot)
 - What was the man reading when Philip came up to the chariot? (the scriptures)
- Point out that the man wanted to know more about God's amazing plan. Philip was able to explain the Good News about Jesus.
- Ask: What is the Good News? (Jesus came to show us God's love and teach us how to live and serve. He died for our sins, then he came back to life again!)
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone!**

Activity 4: Scroll Writing

Supplies: Sheet of paper, crayons or markers (from home), story pictures from 1st activity (provided)

Instructions:

- If your child is able to copy words onto the paper by themselves allow them to copy these (or lightly trace out the following words and allow your child to trace them): Philip, Good News, tell others, baptize
- Direct your child to glue or tape the corresponding pictures onto the paper and ask them to tell you about the story.
- Ask your child who they could tell about the good news of Jesus and add their names to the scroll.
- Roll up the paper from both ends like a scroll.
- Pray and thank God for giving us such an important job to do—telling others about Jesus! Pray, "Dear God, thank you for loving us! Help us tell other people about you this week! Amen."
- Say the Big Idea together: **Jesus' story is good news for everyone!**