^{**911**} BIBLE STORYLINE Philip Shares With An Ethiopian

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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Let's get started by answering some questions! Who are some people in your life that help you to learn new things? (allow kids to answer). Good job! People like teachers and parents help us to learn. What have these people taught you? (allow kids to answer) Cool! What are some things that you have taught people? (allow kids to answer). Wow those are all some really cool things to teach people. Good work!

Well, in today's lesson we are going to learn another lesson from the book of Acts. The book of Acts tells us about what the early church was like. In this lesson, we are going to be talking about a man named Philip. Philip taught someone something important. And, he did it by starting with what they already knew!

We'll talk about that some more in a few minutes. But first, let's stand and sing a song together.

Song

Unglued

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together:

Helping people pursue God starts with what they know. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

What was the Ethiopian man's job? (treasurer)

- What was the Ethiopian man doing when Philip saw him? (reading his Bible/book of Isaiah)
- True or False: People have to know everything about God to pursue him. (F)

Pursuing God isn't just about how much of the Bible we know. We may only know a little bit about it but we can still love God. The main thing we have to know is how to trust in Jesus and the importance of living to honor him. Once we follow Jesus, he wants us to help others to do the same. He wants us to share his love with others. We do this by starting with what they already know! Maybe you have a friend who has heard of Jesus but they don't know that he died on the cross for their sins. Or, maybe you have a friend that knows God created the world but hasn't heard about Jesus. No matter where they start, you can point them to Jesus. That's what Philip did.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"So, beginning with the same scripture, (hands open like book) Philip told him the Good News (hands cupped around mouth) about Jesus. (point up)" Acts 8:35 (*Repeat*)

This verse shows us how brave Philip was. This Ethiopian guy was an important person so he could've gotten really angry that Philip approached him at all. And, Philip was even more brave by wanting to teach this guy about Jesus. And, notice how Philip did it. He started with what the Ethiopian was reading in the OT book of Isaiah and showed him how it all pointed to Jesus. He did it by filling in the blanks to get to the most important part of the story-JESUS! And, once the Ethiopian understood who Jesus was, he wanted to put his trust in him, too.

Helping people to know who Jesus is might sound really scary. Maybe you think you don't know enough about Jesus yet, or maybe you just don't feel very brave. Philip was probably really scared, too. But, he trusted God to help him, and he'll help you, too. So, think of someone in your life who needs Jesus. Start with what they know and then fill in the blanks to get to Jesus!

Now let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

We Won't Be Quiet

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

Helping people pursue God starts with what they know. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and dismiss.