

Hospitality means I am always preparing to feed others, and seeking out the hungry where they are.

Ephesians 2:10

¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

“Walk” means that just like Jesus, we are in motion, and good works are all along the road we’re taking. Just like the highways we drive on every day, the thing that is vitally important is that we remain vigilant!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DfXAeZ8VzvQ>

Belonging to Jesus means He can call on me at any time. It may be in the most unexpected times and ways!

Acts 8:26-39

²⁶ But an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip saying, “Get up and go south to the road that descends from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a desert *road*.)

n(image: <https://jabbokdawn.files.wordpress.com/2012/05/lone-tree-near-wadi-qelt.jpg>)

The first challenge: Jesus leads us where we are least inclined to go.

The N. Africa report- would you have followed a man into an upstairs room full of other men?

²⁷ So he got up and went; and there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure; and he had come to Jerusalem to worship

The next challenge: Jesus leads us to speak to people we have nothing in common with.

, ²⁸ and he was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go up and join this chariot.”

The stretching continues: Jesus leads us to invade the privacy of others.

³⁰ Philip ran up and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and said, “Do you understand what you are reading?”

Don’t walk- RUN! When Jesus is leading, time is of the essence!

³¹ And he said, “Well, how could I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

Jesus opens the heart of the hearer to receive us, and to receive His word.

Behold the feast, already prepared:

³² Now the passage of Scripture which he was reading was this:

“He was led as a sheep to slaughter; And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He does not open His mouth.

³³ “In humiliation His judgment was taken away; Who will relate His generation? For His life is removed from the earth.”

³⁴ The eunuch answered Philip and said, “Please *tell me*, of whom does the prophet say this? Of himself or of someone else?” ³⁵ Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning from this Scripture he preached Jesus to him.

The Word of God was the feast, and Philip served it up out of the overflow of his own walk with Christ.

³⁶ As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch *said, “Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?” ³⁷ [And Philip said, “If you believe with all your heart, you may.” And he answered and said, “I believe

that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.”] ³⁸ And he ordered the chariot to stop; and they both went down into the water, Philip as well as the eunuch, and he baptized him.³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; and the eunuch no longer saw him, but went on his way rejoicing.

