



### BIBLE STORY

**I Need to Know**  
Philip and the Man from  
Ethiopia  
*Acts 8:26-40*

### MEMORY VERSE

*Let us not become  
tired of doing good. At  
the right time we will  
gather a crop if we  
don't give up.*  
Galatians 6:9 (NIRV)

### LIFE APP

**Determination**  
Deciding it's worth it to  
finish what you started.

### KEY QUESTION

What questions do you  
have?

### BASIC TRUTH

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choice

## Activity: Questions, Questions

**What You Need:** Index cards, markers, pencils

**What You Do:**

- 1) Write each of the following questions on an index card, creating six "Question Cards:" Who? What? Where? When? How? Why?
- 2) Shuffle the index cards and set the "Question Cards" aside.
- 3) Ask: Who are some of the people in your life?
- 4) As kids answer, write each example on an index. Examples could include: parents, coach, teacher, siblings, friends, pastor, Small Group Leader, classmates.
- 5) Shuffle the index cards and set them next to the Question Cards.
- 6) Guide kids to take turns picking both a "People" index card and a Question Card.
- 7) Encourage everyone to come up with a question using the Question Card they picked that they could ask the person listed on the People index card they picked.
- 8) Have fun with the questions and to be creative.
- 9) Give everyone an index card and a pencil.
- 10) Encourage each person to write a question they have for God or about God on their index card. Tell them to use multiple index cards if they can think of more than one question.
- 11) Collect the index cards and shuffle them.
- 12) Lay the index cards in the center of the circle.
- 13) Read the questions together as a family.
- 14) Discuss the questions. Depending on time, you can select a couple of the questions to focus on. Potential questions could be:
  - Did more than one person have the same question?
  - Where would you go to search for an answer to a question?
  - What if you can't find an answer to your question?
  - What are reasons we don't ask questions?

**Note:** *The goal of this activity is not to answer the questions. Guide the conversation to discuss what happens when we don't get answers; what can we do? This activity provides an opportunity to discuss the fact we can get answers to our questions right away, but there are times we have to wait for an answer or there are times our questions don't get answered. But it is important to remember, to keep going and whenever you have a question, ask it.*



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## Gospel Moment

The royal official in the story was reading words from Isaiah. Isaiah was a prophet who lived hundreds of years before Jesus was even born. God gave Isaiah a message that foretold a Savior who would come and make a way for us to be forgiven.

Eventually, the promises God gave through Isaiah came true. God sent His Son, Jesus, to earth, and Jesus lived a perfect life. Even though He didn't do anything wrong, He was arrested, put on trial, lied about, and then killed. He willingly died for us so we could have a relationship with God that will last forever!

"The royal official didn't understand what he was reading. But he didn't give up. He asked Philip to help him understand. Like the royal official, we don't have to be afraid to ask questions about God. If you don't understand something you heard or something you've read in the Bible, ask someone. Your Small Group Leader is a great person to ask! They can help you learn more about God as you get to know Him better and better. And remember, sometimes we might have a question but we can't find the answer. That's okay! Even when the answers don't come easily, we can keep going and keep **[Basic Truth] making the wise choice.**

## Discussion Questions

- 15) Why is it important to ask questions?
- 16) What happens if we don't understand and we don't ask questions?
- 17) When is it hard to ask questions?
- 18) Are there questions that have no answers? *Encourage kids to think of examples*

## Prayer

"God, You know everything! And we can ask You anything! We are so thankful for the Bible. Help us show determination and to keep going even when we have questions. God, You have given us people in our lives we can turn to when we have questions. Thank You for *(give kids an opportunity to say names of people they can turn to with their questions)*. Amen!"