

# Preaching Christ

(Acts 8:1-25)

- Introduction:
1. The book of Acts is not so much a book of doctrine, but examples of doctrine being practiced.
  2. I think that examples help us to understand directives.
  3. In this lesson, we want to examine a few points taken from Acts 8.

## I. Who Is To Preach (Teach)?

- A. (Acts 8:1-4).
- B. It was the church who was doing the preaching.
- C. (1 Timothy 3:15) The church is the pillar and ground of the truth.
- D. (2 Kings 7:9) "We are not doing what is right, this is a day of good news and we remain silent."
- E. (Acts 20:20,26; Ezekiel 33:1-6).

## II. What Is The Content Of Preaching?

- A. (Acts 8:5-12).
- B. Philip preached Christ to them.
  1. This was also Paul's theme (1 Corinthians 2:2).
  2. This was also John's theme (1 John 1:1-3).
- C. A needed definition of preaching Christ.
  1. "Things concerning the kingdom"
    - a. Uniqueness (Ephesians 4:4).
    - b. Organization (Philippians 1:1).
    - c. Worship (John 4:24).
    - d. Work (Evangelism - 1 Timothy 3:15; Benevolence - James 1:27; Edification - Romans 14:19).
  2. "The name of Christ"
    - a. (Matthew 28:18).
    - b. (Colossians 3:17).
  3. "Men and women were baptized"
    - a. The plan of salvation was included.
- D. (Acts 8:35-37) Preached Jesus and he asked to be baptized.

## III. What Is The Result Of Preaching?

- A. People believed and were baptized.
- B. (Isaiah 55:11) the word of God will not return void...
- C. (Romans 1:16) the gospel is the power of God unto salvation.

- Conclusion:
1. Do you desire salvation? Do what they did, and receive what they received.
  2. (Acts 8:13).
  3. (Acts 8:22).