

Finding God's Treasure

"A Treasurer Finds A Treasure"

(Acts 8:26-40)

- Introduction:
1. There is a very interesting story contained in Acts 8 of a treasurer finding a treasure in a most unexpected place.
 2. In this lesson I would like to consider three qualities that allowed this treasurer to discover this treasure.

I. He Was Willing To LOOK For Something More

- A. (Deuteronomy 23:1).
- B. He traveled 2,000 miles to "stand in the foyer."
- C. (2 Timothy 2:15).
- D. (John 5:39).
- E. Our knowledge of God does not come from a casual look, but a diligent search.
- F. (Hebrews 11:6; Psalm 9:10; 14:2; Proverbs 8:17; Matthew 6:33).

II. He Was Willing To LISTEN To Something New

- A. He admitted that he didn't understand and needed guidance (Acts 8:30-31).
- B. (Isaiah 53:1-12).
 1. Jesus is the Messiah.
 2. This is not what he had been taught.
- C. He now had a choice...
 1. Close up his Bible and end his conversation.
 2. Honestly investigate this new information.

III. He Was Willing To LEAVE His Past

- A. Are we willing to make decisions that will put us at odds with our friends and family?
- B. Are we willing to change our religious convictions? Start over? Admit we've been wrong?
- C. There were others in the same situation, but who did not act as virtuously (John 12:48).
- D. He was baptized by Philip and went on his way rejoicing (Acts 8:36-39).

- Conclusion:
1. In this biblical account, we read of a treasurer who discovers the greatest treasure of all.
 2. He did so by "Looking," "Listening," and "Leaving."
 3. What about you? Are you willing to do the same?