

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 chapter eight.

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.

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).