

UNSTOPPABLE: Divine Moment

ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

1. If you could spend the holidays in any location, where would it be?

WORD

Divine moments are testimonies of experiencing God's glory or experiencing him on a personal level. Also, seeing the fruit of our obedience to God.

The Story of Acts has been so interesting all the way from chapter 1 to Chapter 8 and the story just keeps getting better and better. Acts is a book that tells the story about how the Apostles of Jesus responded to the call given to them before Jesus ascended. It is essentially an account of the growth of God's kingdom on earth through the power of the Holy Spirit and the Gospel. The story first started with the apostles receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit and the wave of growth it produced. This growth continues to increase despite of the pushed back from the religious leaders.

Also, we see in Acts 6 that the growth of the church were so rapid that their numbers had grown past the Apostles' ability to handle it on their own. (Acts 6:1-6)

Acts 8:26-39

26 Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south[d] to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. 27 And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship 28 and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. 29 And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." 30 So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

*“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he opens not his mouth.*

33 In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

34 And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. 36 And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?”[e] 38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. 39 And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch

We see on the above text that Philip first went to the city of Samaria after being scattered by the event with Stephen and he begins preaching the Gospel and performing signs and wonders in the name of Jesus. He was spreading the Gospel to wherever it can reach and to whoever wanted to hear it. He also reached out to the most unexpected of people. Then after preaching and spreading the Gospel in Samaria, an angel of the Lord approached Philip and instructed him to go south on a desert road. And here we see the beginning of a divine moment that Philip experienced through his obedience and faith in God.

DISCUSSION

Have you ever had a divine moment with God in your life? Share one with the group

WORD

Three Points to Understand about the Divine Moments Through the Story of Philip

1. We must be prepared always to receive God's instruction.

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And God communicated with Philip on a very vague manner but direct instructions through an angel. We may not have an angel communicating to us on this era but how do we know if the message we hear is from God or it's just our thoughts. It is so important to discern God's thoughts through His words. *"The more we know God's character the easier it is to hear His voice amongst all the noises"*

When it comes to hearing God's voice and being able to tell if it's His voice or not, it is important to know God's character so well to the point where the moment we spot his character in something we hear or something we think, we immediately know it's God because the Holy Spirit lives in us

Therefore, divine moments begin with us hearing God through the Holy Spirit, discerning his voice and obeying him.

DISCUSSION

Do you remember the last time you heard God speak to you through the Holy Spirit and you obeyed? Share one instance.

WORD

2 The divine moments can be found in the most unexpected places and with the most unexpected people.

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Philip obeyed the instruction given to him and when he arrived at the place, he saw a chariot carrying a very important person.

The point presented here before us is that God can use people to do unexpected things. Let us **never put a limit on what God can do through us**. Let us never look at a situation and think that's its impossible. When God instructs, nothing is impossible. *Luke 1: 37 For nothing will be impossible with God.*

3.The divine moments are stirred up by our love for God and the Gospel

Acts 2:32-39

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Philip was known to be a wise man and also a man who spent a lot of time with Jesus. With his known wisdom, he could use his wisdom at his disposal but he used the Gospel. He conveyed the love of God through his love and passion for the Gospel. **He let the Gospel do all the talking**. And he acted as a witness to what Jesus had done in his life.

DISCUSSION

Have you shared your 2 Minute Miracle Story to someone you know or love? How did it feel? What was the result?

LIFE APPLICATION

Our divine moment/s is not a result of our own skill or ability but from our obedience and relationship with God. And what makes a divine moment divine is when someone is able to experience the divinity of God, through the Gospel.

When we experience something divine from God, we experience an emotion or a blessing from God in its truest form, or in other words in the way God intended for us to experience it.

And in that moment of divinity *we experience an unstoppable force of transformation within ourselves and the people we are experiencing it with.*

And the beautiful thing about the Gospel is that it can be proclaimed not only by our mouths but also by our lifestyles. Because when we submit to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and when we live a life of obedience and discipleship, our life begin to change, our mindsets begin to transform and we become set apart from the darkness of the world. And when people see that they begin to ask questions. And God then highlights the opportunity to help a lost soul experience his divinity.

Let us develop an *unstoppable hunger* to chase after divine moments where we as an *unstoppable church* with *unstoppable courage* filled with the *unstoppable power of the Holy Spirit* help lost souls experience the divinity of who God is through a divine moment. And we take this is a divine responsibility to go and make ourselves available to continue the spread of the Gospel

DISCUSSION

What is your biggest take away on this week message that you could apply in your life?

VERSE TO MEDITATE ON

John 16:13 ESV

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you all things that are to come.

PRAYER

Share your prayer request and answered prayer. Pray for one another and throughout this week.



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