BLESS - Part 3

"How to Listen with Care" Acts 8:26-40 October 11, 2020

What if God wants you to listen more and talk _____?

Listening with care will guide how we _____.

When we don't listen with care, no one cares to _____.

How to Listen with Care

1. Be willing to be _____. Acts 8:26

2. Notice where God is _____. Acts 8:29-30

3. Ask questions and _____. Acts 8:30-31

Personal Reflection & Small Group Questions

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

- 1. Looking back over your notes from this week's sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
- 2. Read Acts 8:26-40. What are some of the ways the Spirit nudges us to listen to our neighbors and our colleagues at work?
- 3. Think of some of the people in your Top 5 or others who are far from God that you know. How might God be at work in their lives right now?
- 4. Think again of those same people. What are some key questions you could ask them at this time? (Examples: "What are you really looking forward to in your life?" Or, "Is there anything that has ever caused you to doubt your atheism?" Or, "With what you're going through, how has your faith played a role?")
- 5. There is no greater way to bless someone who is far from God than to point them to Christ out of a loving, caring relationship. God's Plan A for bringing people back to him involves us, his people. There really is no Plan B. Answer honestly: Does that feel like a burden or an opportunity right now? And depending how you answer that, what is your next step?