

### **How Do I Lead Someone to Christ?**

This is an interesting question that gets at the heart of our faith ...  
What is the nature of our faith?

Some people look at faith as “institutional” ...  
The “church” does the ministry  
Someone is hungry for God ... I will call my pastor!  
(That’s not always bad or wrong, but ...)

The church should be personal – YOU (We) are the church  
Someone is hungry for God ... YOU minister to them  
When it’s time ... YOU lead them to Christ.

***Fortunately, we have a perfect example of leading someone to Christ ...  
Acts 8:26-40 – Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch***

### ***Read Acts 8:26-29***

Vs 26 – LISTEN (last week) – Be open to God’s call  
Vs 26 and 29 – God is leading ... are you following?

Vs 27 – On his way ...  
THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO DISCUSS THE QUESTION  
“How do I lead someone to Christ” –

One is about the “Formula” – what questions to ask, what to cover  
What they need to know/understand/affirm ...  
We will get there momentarily.

BUT THE OTHER IS SEEN IN THE PHRASE “On his way”  
A big part of leading people to Christ is relational  
Sesame Street - these are the people in my neighborhood  
We may need to build bridges before we get an  
opportunity to talk Jesus ...

- PAY ATTENTION TO HOW YOU NAVIGATE “Your way”
- LISTEN/Be open as you go – this is a lifestyle discussion
- PAY ATTENTION for opportunities

Philip could have easily “missed” the man in the chariot  
The fact that He was reading scripture ...

### ***Read Acts 8:30-34 (This is the relational part of the equation)***

- Actually *interact* with other people.
  - Look for ways to be relevant to them.
- Philip saw the man was reading Isaiah and asked about what he was reading.

- Build a relationship. Show interest in others!
- People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care
- BE FRIENDLY – Novel idea

***Read Acts 8:35-40 (This is the formulaic part of the equation)***

Be ready to share Jesus and your testimony.

You can always turn the conversation to Him.

Sharing Jesus Without Fear – Good resource

Share your testimony – Rev 12:11

Always look for opportunity

Go the extra mile. Ministry can be long, messy, involving. Do it anyway.

Philip traveled with the man – HS worked then

Keep repeating the first 6 steps, Don't grow weary in doing good.

***CONCLUSION***

Takes power, love, and self-discipline. We represent Jesus! How are we carrying out that duty? When people see you, do they experience love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, and self-control?

We lead people to Christ by being like Christ.