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“The Power of God’s Word” | Contagious Week 2, Acts 8 – Mark Sorensen

Plant

- **What has been your understanding of the Holy Spirit and His role in our lives?**
- This has been a crazy week in our country. Spend some time checking in with one another.
- **How would you describe your relationship with scripture:**
 1. Early courtship (just now getting to know each other; still a few misunderstandings)
 2. Engaged (getting pretty serious; committed to making this a lasting relationship)
 3. Newlywed/honeymoon phase (we love each other so much; couldn’t imagine life without the other)
 4. Seasoned spouse (we know each other inside and out; drives me crazy and calls me on my stuff, but still the most life-giving relationship)
- Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- **How were you introduced to scripture? How have you experienced the power of God’s word in the 4 ways that Paul describes?**

Grow

- Read Acts 1:8
- Jesus told His disciples that they would be a witness in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth. Being a witness means testifying and inviting people to the truth and love of God.
- **Describe a time that God used someone to be a witness to you. How has God’s word testified of His love to you?**
- Sorensen spoke about how there are times when God calls us into deserts. **Can you identify a desert that God had called you into that was beyond your comfort level? Is there a desert God might be calling you into now?**

Harvest

- Read Acts 8:26-38

- **Has there ever been a time when you stepped into the chariot (relationship) of someone and found an opportunity to share hope and the heart of Jesus with them?**
- During Mark's sermon, he referenced how Mr. Rodgers chose to soak his feet in a pool with a black police chief. Mr. Rodgers, like Philip, knew that sometimes we have to step outside of cultural norms and into the spaces of others, because what God is doing is more powerful than the rules of society.
- **How can you enter into the pools of redemption with someone today?**

Prayers

Share prayer requests and follow up on some of the requests from previous weeks.