# **GROWTH GUIDE**

For you. Your family. Your group.

# SERMON OUTLINE

- 1. God works with us to bring others to salvation. Acts 8:26-35
- 2. As we come to Christ, we testify about our salvation through baptism. Acts 8:36-40
  - a. The accessibility of Baptism
  - b. The necessity for Baptism
  - c. The significance in Baptism

## **GROUP DISCUSSION**

- 1. Looking back at the passage and your notes, is there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
- 2. Why would the Ethiopian Eunuch have been on the fringes of Jewish society when he visited Jerusalem? What happened to Philip after he baptized the Ethiopian Eunuch?
- 3. What sorts of excuses do we tell ourselves when we aren't looking for opportunities or don't take opportunities to share the Gospel? How are we actually blessed when we tell others about Jesus?
- 4. Share with the group other verses besides Acts 8 that talk about how God draws us to Him.
- 5. What sorts of things are you tempted to make your authority besides the word of God? For example, Pastor Jeff mentioned in his sermon ease and comfort, money, or our own wisdom/understanding.

### **BREAKOUT DISCUSSION**

- 1. Do you know the Bible well enough to explain the Gospel to someone starting in Isaiah? If not, what can you do to get to that place? If so, how has your knowledge of Scripture helped you to live more like Christ?
- 2. Have you been baptized by immersion as a believer yet? If so, when? If not, what prevents you from taking that next step of obedience?

### **PRAYER POINTS**

- 1. Praise God for how he pursued us even while we ran from Him!
- 2. Pray that our authority at City on a Hill would always be God's word first and foremost.
- 3. Ask God for opportunities to share the Gospel with others, eyes to see those opportunities, and boldness to take those opportunities.