



Part 1: The Pathway of Enlightenment

Part 2: The Desert of Discovery

Part 3: The Forest of Forgiveness

Part 4: The Caves of Commitment

Psalm 119:105

INTRODUCTION – WHO'S LOOKING FOR WHOM?

Luke 15:4-7

PLATO – A CONVERSATIONAL SEEKER

Matthew 4:4

2 Corinthians 4:4

John 6:44

John 14:17 & 26

2 Corinthians 3:16

Romans 10:2-4

Hebrews 4:12

OPENING OUR WINDOW & CHOOSING OUR SCREEN

Matthew 23:24

THE ETHIOPIAN OFFICIAL – A FOCUSED SEEKER

Acts 8:26-39

Isaiah 53

THE BEREANS – ONGOING SEEKERS

Acts 17:11

CONCLUSION – THE BIBLE VS. TV

John 7:17

Home Church Questions...

1. WARM UPS: The fact that you're here indicates some measure of faith within you, but what type of faith is a different issue. Where are you in your spiritual journey: a) Seeking more of God from a point of committed faith? b) Seeking stability in God from a point of wavering faith? c) Seeking answers in God from a point of sceptical faith? d) Seeking comfort in God from the point of troubled faith? ...Can you explain further?
2. After using your notes to review Sunday's message, share the one thing that most inspired, challenged, or perplexed you.
2. Read about the suffering Messiah in **Isaiah 53**.
 - a) What is your favourite verse? Why?
 - b) What was the expressed purpose of the Messiah's suffering? (See **verses 4-5, 11-12**.)
 - c) How is his death said to be more than that of a mere martyr for his cause, as most people believe?
3. Read the story of the Ethiopian Eunuch in **Acts 8:26-39**.
 - a) In what ways is baptism an appropriate symbol of our commitment to Jesus?
 - b) Jehovah's Witnesses will use this story, especially **verse 31**, to argue that we cannot understand the Scriptures without apostolic help. Yes, they see their organization as playing the role of Philip today. But how does **verse 39** counter this idea?
 - c) Why do you think God may have taken Philip away so quickly?
 - d) What lessons can we learn hear for our own Bible study?
4. LOOKING AHEAD... Why do you think our sins need to be placed upon someone else, as in **Isaiah 53**, so we can be forgiven? Can't God just forgive us and drop the issue without the need for a sacrifice?