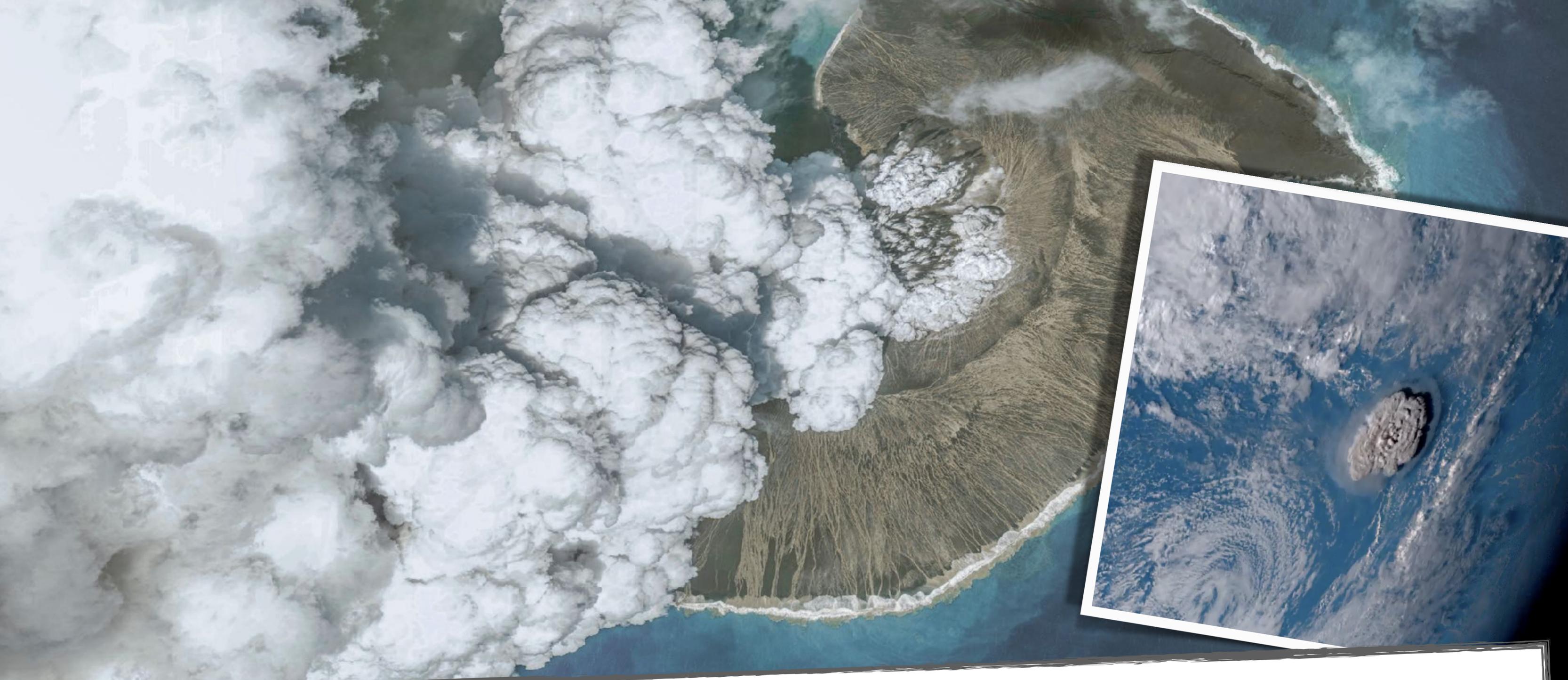


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Tonga Volcanic eruption was so big, the atmosphere shook.

The Conversation, January 24, 2022

Eruptions and Aftershocks

On that day [same day as Stephen died] a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem... Saul began to destroy the church. Going from house to house, he dragged off both men and women and put them in prison.

Acts 8:1-3

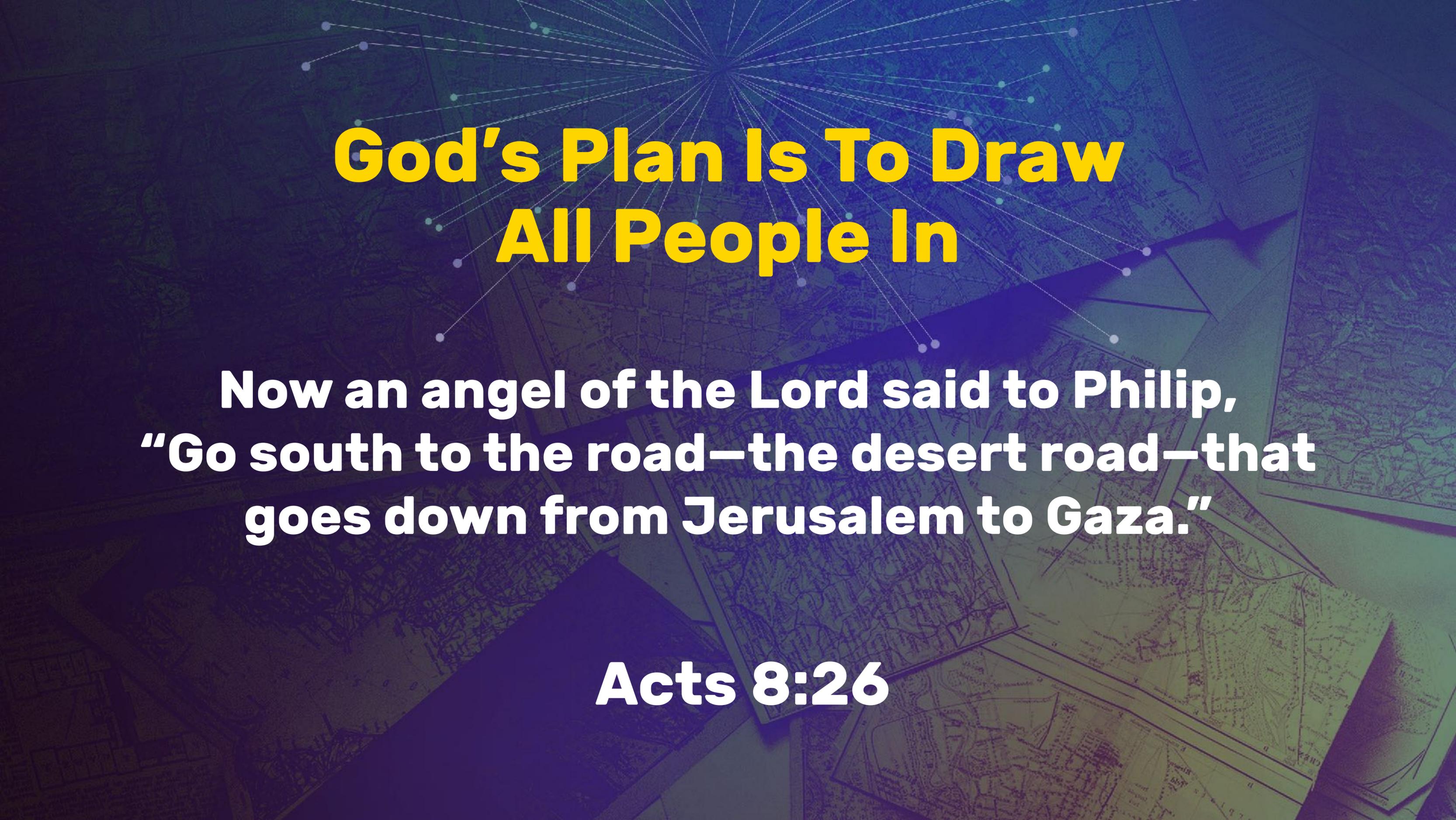


The Great Missionary In Acts Is God Himself

Persecution Pushes God's People Out

Those who had been scattered **preached** the word wherever they went. Philip went down to a city in Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah there.

Acts 8:4-5



God's Plan Is To Draw All People In

**Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip,
"Go south to the road—the desert road—that
goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza."**

Acts 8:26

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So he [Philip] started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, and on his way home was sitting in his chariot **reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet.**

Acts 8:27-28

Let no foreigner who is bound to the Lord say, "The Lord will surely exclude me from his people." And let no eunuch complain, "I am only a dry tree." For this is what the Lord says: "To the eunuchs who keep my Sabbaths, who choose what pleases me and hold fast to my covenant— to them I will give within my temple and its walls a memorial and a name better than sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name that will endure forever.

Isaiah 56:3-5

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The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it." Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet.

"Do you understand what you are reading?"

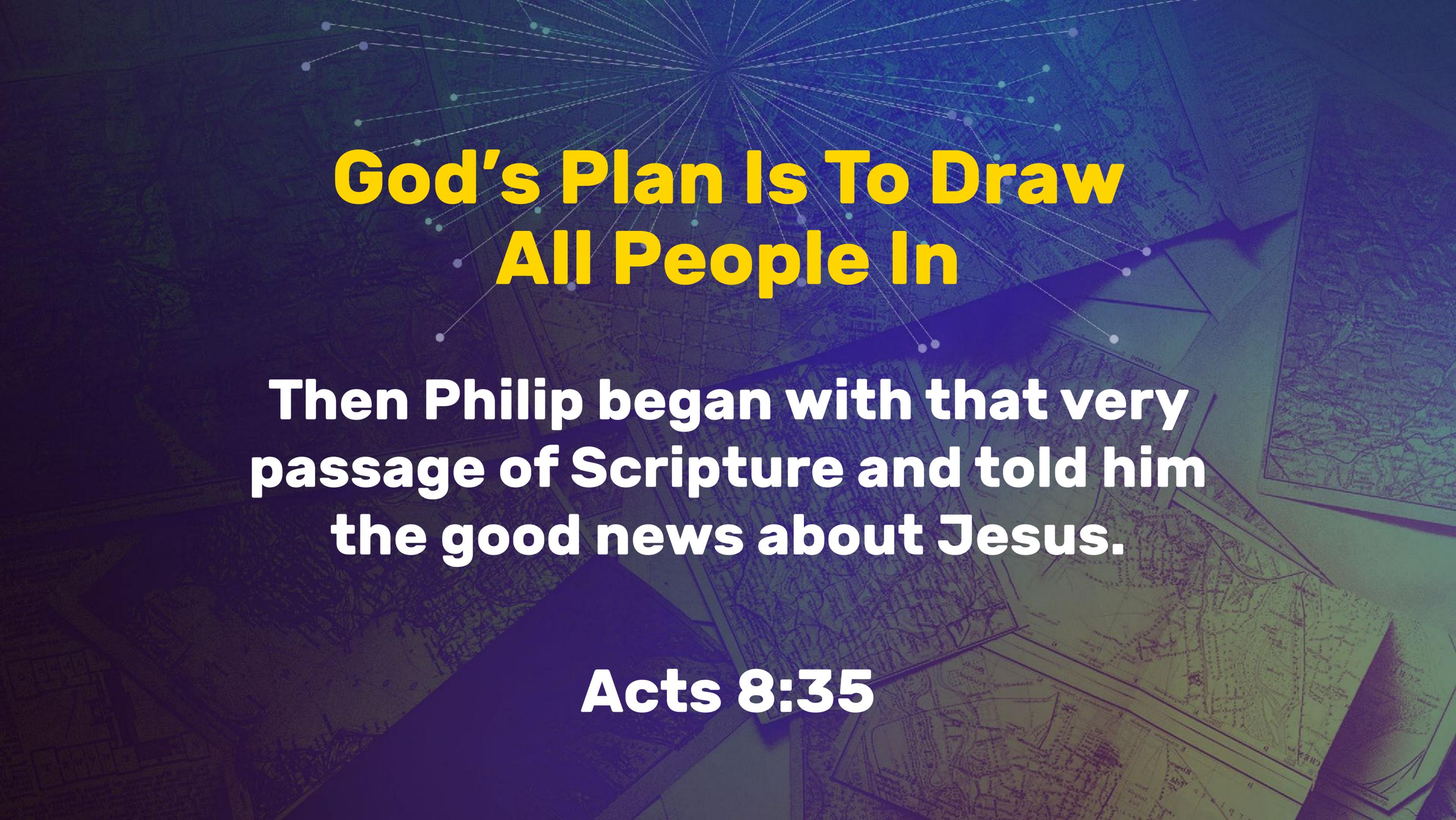
Philip asked. "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

Acts 8:29-31

God's Plan Is To Draw All People In

“He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he did not open his mouth. In his humiliation he was deprived of justice. Who can speak of his descendants? For his life was taken from the earth.” The eunuch asked Philip, “Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?”

Acts 8:32-34

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God's Plan Is To Draw All People In

**Then Philip began with that very
passage of Scripture and told him
the good news about Jesus.**

Acts 8:35

God's Plan Is To Draw All People In

As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?" And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him.

Acts 8:36-38

God's Plan Is To Draw All People In

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing. Philip, however, appeared at Azotus and traveled about, preaching the gospel in all the towns until he reached Caesarea.

Acts 8:39-40

Ethiopian Man

“He went on his way rejoicing, to be the herald in Ethiopia of Christ’s advent.”

Irenaeus, Against Heresies iii.12.8

Philip

We reached Caesarea and stayed at the house of Philip the evangelist, one of the Seven. He had four unmarried daughters who prophesied.

Acts 21:8

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