

How Can I Understand

As recorded in the book of Acts, Philip the evangelist taught the gospel to a certain Ethiopian who was a eunuch in charge of all the treasures belonging to the queen of Ethiopia. While returning from worshipping in Jerusalem, he read the book of Isaiah. Compelled by the Spirit, Philip came closer to him and said, “Understandest thou what thou readest?”

“And the eunuch said, How can I, except some man should guide me? ...

“Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.”

The question asked by this Ethiopian man is a reminder of the divine mandate we all have to seek to learn and to teach one another the gospel of Jesus Christ. In fact, in the context of learning and teaching the gospel, we are sometimes like the Ethiopian—we need the help of a faithful and inspired teacher; and we are sometimes like Philip—we need to teach and strengthen others in their conversion.

Our purpose as we seek to learn and to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ must be to increase faith in God and in His divine plan of happiness and in Jesus Christ and His atoning sacrifice and to achieve lasting conversion. Such increased faith and conversion will help us make and keep covenants with God, thus strengthening our desire to follow Jesus and producing a genuine spiritual transformation in us—in other words, transforming us into a new creature, as taught by the Apostle Paul in his epistle to the Corinthians. This transformation will bring us a more happy, productive, and healthy life and help us to maintain an eternal perspective. Isn't this exactly what happened to the Ethiopian eunuch after he learned about the Savior and was converted to His gospel? The scripture says that “he went on his way rejoicing.”

My dear companions in the gospel, I testify to you that when we earnestly, heartily, firmly, and sincerely seek to learn the gospel of Jesus Christ and teach it to one another with real purpose and under the influence of the Spirit, these teachings may transform hearts and inspire a desire to live according to the truths of God.

By Elder Ulises Soares
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Go to the stake website for more announcements:

<https://renostakeinfo.org>

Ward Pioneer Day FHE Celebration and BBQ

Join us in celebrating Pioneer Day with the Skyline Ward Activities Committee on Monday, July 24th from 6pm to 8pm at Manzanita Park, 630 Manzanita Lane, Reno 89509. Dinner will be served and there will be games and plenty of socializing. We hope to see you there!!!

Do you have any announcements you would like to see in the bulletin? Send them to roydeblackburn@gmail.com

There are many great new features on the Stake website – see them all!

Do you have a family member or friend who suffers from addictive behavior? Join us to learn ways you can help. All meetings are confidential.
Family Support Group Meeting-Sundays 7:00pm, High Council Room
Addiction Recovery Group Meeting – Tuesdays 7:00pm, High Council Room
Questions? Call Jon Hiatt, High Council at 775-772-3540
Or Dale and Liane McCombs at 775-348-7652

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Welcome and Announcements

Presiding: Bishop Beau Keenan
Conducting: Bishop Beau Keenan
Organist: Sister Laura Karrasch
Director: Brother Jay Chamberlain
Opening Hymn: # 301 I am a Child of God
Invocation: T.B.A.
Ward Business: T.B.A.

Sacrament Hymn: # 170 God of Our Fathers

Passing of The Sacrament

Speaker: Sister Heather Keenan
Intermediate: Choir – Faith in Every Footstep
Speaker: HC Brother John Hiatt
Closing Hymn: # 198 Before Thee Lord

Benediction: T.B.A.