

**The Yield of a Yielded Life**

Acts 8:1-8, 26-40

Introduction:



**Spirit-\_\_\_\_\_ Lives Reap God-Sized \_\_\_\_\_!**

I. When the Spirit leads, suffering turns into \_\_\_\_\_ . [8:1-4]

II. When the Spirit leads, barriers are \_\_\_\_\_ . [8:5-8]

III. When the Spirit leads, obedience opens \_\_\_\_\_ . [8:26-40]

## For Group Discussion

### Personal

Why is it often easier to recognize the Spirit's leading *after* something happens than *during* it? How can we cultivate greater awareness *in the moment*?

**From the Sermon: "The Yield of a Yielded Life" [Acts 8:1-8, 26-40]**

### Big Idea: Spirit-Led Lives Reap God-Sized Results!

- I. When the Spirit leads, suffering turns into spreading. [8:1-4]
  1. The early church's persecution forced believers to scatter—yet the gospel spread faster than ever. What does that reveal about God's sovereignty in our suffering?
  2. How might God want to use your present challenges as a platform to spread His message or love?
  3. What attitudes or fears most often keep us from seeing our "scattering seasons" as Spirit-led opportunities?
  
- II. When the Spirit leads, barriers are broken. [8:5-8]
  1. Philip crossed cultural and racial lines to share Jesus with Samaritans and later with an Ethiopian official. What modern "barriers" (social, racial, political, denominational, generational) do we often allow to hinder the gospel today?
  2. How can Spirit-led believers and churches become bridge-builders instead of boundary-keepers?
  3. Have you ever experienced the Spirit prompting you to reach out to someone "different" from you? What was the result?
  
- III. When the Spirit leads, obedience opens opportunity. [8:26-40]
  1. Philip obeyed immediately when the angel told him to go south, even though he didn't know why. What keeps us from that kind of simple, prompt obedience?
  2. What might you be missing out on because of delayed or partial obedience?
  3. In what ways does obedience often position us for divine appointments we could never plan ourselves?
  4. What practical rhythms or habits can help you stay sensitive and responsive to the Spirit's leading each day?

### Application

1. Where is the Holy Spirit currently leading you to step out, speak up, or cross over?
2. What would it look like this week for you—and for our group—to "reap God-sized results" by saying yes to the Spirit's direction?
3. Pray together for courage to obey, faith to trust, and love that crosses every barrier.