

WELCOME TO EMMAUS
Gathering #1118/Livestream #338
August 30, 2026
Sermon: Unless Someone Helps Me

What initially drew you
(or is drawing you now) to Jesus?

Why people seek Jesus today:

- “There must be something _____.”
- “I want my life to be _____.”
- “I want to know what’s _____.”
- “I’m interested in _____.”
- “I need _____.”
- “I’m trying to connect with what _____.”
- “I’m _____.”
- “I’m _____.”

Why people seek Jesus in the Bible:

Acts 8:26-39

“Do you understand...?”

“How can I unless...?”

“What can stand in the way...?”

take aways:

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Nathan Oates 8.30.26

We’re so glad you’re here!
Scan here to get connected:



NOW:

Fall Home Groups are starting!
Scan this to see a menu
of groups and to sign up:



The space formerly-known as the
“bookstore” has been converted to the
Parent/Baby Room AND the Info Center.
Check out these new spaces!

NEXT:



Sept 20: All Church Picnic: lunch at 1p in
rural Lincoln. No RSVP needed.

Sept 21: New! Young Adult Group at
Brandon and Natasha Butler’s. 6p.

Sept 27: New to Emmaus Lunch: 12:30 in
the Cottage

Oct 4: Women's Chili and Axes event: 4p
at the Wallaces

Oct 18: Emmaus Membership Class &
Lunch: 12:30 in the Cottage

HOME GROUP DISCUSSION:

- Share a comment or question about the Acts 8 text or sermon.
- Which common reason for seeking Jesus resonates w/ you most? Why?
- Re-read Acts 8:26-39.
- What evidence do you see that the Ethiopian is already seeking God?
- What does this story suggest about the relationship between seeking, questioning, and believing?
- What about Philip’s role is most-impressive to you?
- Is there someone in your life whom God may be asking you simply to “go near”? Not to force a spiritual conversation, but to listen, pay attention, and be available. What’s your next step?



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