

When Vision Fails
Acts 8:4-8
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Sermon Notes

- God often moves us towards His intent in ways we barely comprehend – or overlook altogether!
- The Church won't always know where it's being led, but it can trust the Lord who is leading.
- God's work is never dependent upon one person or group of people.
- God raises up leaders, but no leader will lead everything, for God wants to make it clear the work is His doing.
- When vision fails – when we don't know what God's up to – God may be reminding us who's in charge. Disciples need some mystery in order to remain dependent.
- When vision fails we need confidence and commitment.
- Persecution - and the uncertainty it brought – didn't remove confidence in Christ or commitment to Him; it revealed it!
- When vision fails, something new is often in the making.
- “Relying on God has to begin all over again every day as if nothing yet had been done. “(C.S. Lewis)
- When **vision** fails - and it will at times - **faith** confidently keeps on serving in anticipation of God's exciting surprises. We walk by faith, not vision.
- When vision fails, it's time to mature our faith!