## WITNESS – Reaching out to others (Aim for 20 – 30 minutes)

## Practising praying with people.

In 2's, each person in turn share "What's been the worst thing that has happened this week?"

Ask "Is it OK for me to put a hand on your shoulder?" Then reach out a hand put it on your neighbour's shoulder and pray for them.

## THE CO-STARS 3 OF ACTS

Philip Acts 6:1-7; 8:1-40; 21:1-9

**WELCOME** – Breaking the ice *(Aim for 10 minutes)* 

What has been the best thing that has happened this week? OR

When have you felt closest to God this week?

WORSHIP – Meeting the Lord (*Aim for 10 – 15 minutes*)

Each person in turn, say "Thank you" to God for the best thing that has happened OR when God has felt closest this week.

## WORD – Applying the truth (Aim for 40 – 45 minutes)

Read Acts 6.1-7; Acts 8.1-40 and Acts 21.1-9

1 How would you describe the gift of an evangelist, and in what way is an evangelist different from a witness? (Acts 21.8)

2 How did persecution act as a spur to mission in the early church? (Acts 8.1-5)

3 What was remarkable about Philip's mission to Samaria? (Acts 8.6-7)

4 Why was it necessary for the Samaritan converts to be prayed for to receive the Spirit by the Apostles? Is church order important? Acts 8.14-17)

5 In what ways was Simon's heart not right before God? In what ways can money corrupt the ministry of the church? (Acts 8.18-24)

6 In what ways did the Spirit orchestrate the evangelism of the Ethiopian official? What sort of a man was he? (Acts 8.26-40)

7 How does the book of Isaiah reflect the gospel in its prophecies? (Acts 8.32-33 and Isaiah 53.4-7)

8 What character traits and gifts particularly impress you in Philip?