

44\_ACT\_08\_01 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

44\_ACT\_08\_02 And devout men carried Stephen [to his burial], and made great lamentation over him.

44\_ACT\_08\_03 As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed [them] to prison.

44\_ACT\_08\_04 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.

44\_ACT\_08\_05 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

44\_ACT\_08\_06 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

44\_ACT\_08\_07 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed [with them]; and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

44\_ACT\_08\_08 And there was great joy in that city.

44\_ACT\_08\_09 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one:

44\_ACT\_08\_10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

44\_ACT\_08\_11 And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

44\_ACT\_08\_12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

44\_ACT\_08\_13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

44\_ACT\_08\_14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John:

44\_ACT\_08\_15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost:

44\_ACT\_08\_16 [For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.]

44\_ACT\_08\_17 Then laid they [their] hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

44\_ACT\_08\_18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money,

44\_ACT\_08\_19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.

44\_ACT\_08\_20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.

44\_ACT\_08\_21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

44\_ACT\_08\_22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

44\_ACT\_08\_23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and [in] the bond of iniquity.

44\_ACT\_08\_24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.

44\_ACT\_08\_25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

44\_ACT\_08\_26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

44\_ACT\_08\_27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

44\_ACT\_08\_28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

44\_ACT\_08\_29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

44\_ACT\_08\_30 And Philip ran thither to [him], and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

44\_ACT\_08\_31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

44\_ACT\_08\_32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

44\_ACT\_08\_33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

44\_ACT\_08\_34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

44\_ACT\_08\_35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

44\_ACT\_08\_36 And as they went on [their] way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, [here is] water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

44\_ACT\_08\_37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

44\_ACT\_08\_38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

44\_ACT\_08\_39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

44\_ACT\_08\_40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.