

The Aftermath of Persecution

Acts 8

I. The Outbreak of Persecution (v1-3)

- Phase 2 of Jesus' promise being fulfilled
- The deep sadness over Stephen's death

II. The Spreading of the Gospel (v4-8)

III. The Description of Simon (v9-13)

- He was entrenched in demonic activity
- He was converted

IV. The Ministry of the Apostles (v14-17)

- Confusing text regarding Baptism of the Spirit
- Reasons why the Samaritan's received the Spirit following conversion:
 - 1.) For the purpose of unity
 - 2.) To respect the position of the apostles

V. The Transgression of Simon (v18-25)

- Simon's desire for self-glory
- Peter's rebuke

VI. The Conversion of the Eunuch (v26-40)

- What about the lost person who has never heard the gospel?
- Why did God send Philip when he could have sent an angel?

Conclusion:

- Do you have a heart for the lost?