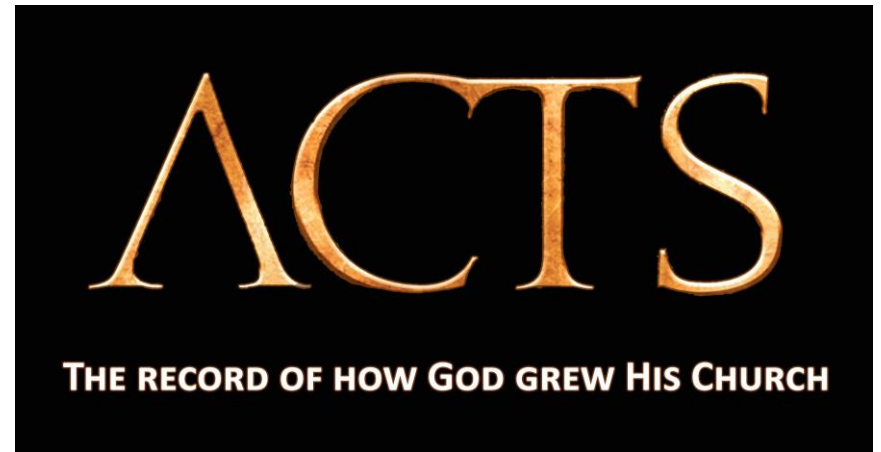


## Personal Application and Interaction

1. Describe a time when someone gave you a not-so-gentle-nudge.
2. Persecution is never appealing. Why do you think God allows His people to experience the pain of any kind of persecution? How have you experienced various degrees of this, and what was the outcome?
3. What were your thoughts about Simon the Sorcerer? Was he saved or lost? How does anyone know who's in and who's out?
4. Why do you think it took the intervention of the apostles for the new believers in Samaria to receive the Holy Spirit? What does this do to your understanding of the Holy Spirit and the believer today?
5. What is the beautiful message of God's work in Samaria through the scattered church? What do you think God wants you to do with that message?



## Getting the Word Out

**Acts 8:1-25**

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What would you say is the very best way to get the word out that we find our hope in Jesus? Hmm! Would your suggestions focus on miracles, visions, or let's say, the hand of God writing out His message on walls? God has so many ways of getting His message out. But, which of us would choose to be scattered because of persecution. Yet, that's how He chose to unleash the church from their safety net in Jerusalem. Let's see what He did and ask Him to help us get the word out to our generation.

***A time for every purpose under heaven (8:1-8; cf. Ecc. 3:1-11)***

***Who's in? Who's out? How does anyone know? (vs. 9-24)***

***What will we do to get the word out? (v.25)***