

# ACTS

CHRIST'S MISSION BY HIS SPIRIT THROUGH THE CHURCH

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**Message Title:** The Gospel is for All People

**Message Text:** Acts 8:4-8

## **Review:**

Acts 1 — Jesus returns to heaven leaving His disciples as witnesses of Himself in the world.

Acts 2 — The Holy Spirit comes to indwell believers and empower Christ's church.

Acts 3 — The lame man is healed and the Gospel is preached.

Acts 4 — Peter and John are arrested, threatened, the Church prays and was filled with boldness to preach the word of God.

Acts 5 — Ananias and Sapphira lie to the Holy Spirit and die. Many are saved and added to the church. Persecution increases.

Acts 6, 7 — Division arises in the church. Deacons are called selected and begin to serve. The word of God increase and many believe. Persecution intensifies and Stephen is martyred.

Acts 8 — Persecution scatters the believers and the Gospel spreads to all people.

Truth Point: The Gospel is for \_\_\_\_\_.

## **1. The Gospel was Spread because of \_\_\_\_\_ (4)**

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## A. Mission \_\_\_\_\_

Inward / Outward

*Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

*Acts 6:1 And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.*

*Matthew 28:19–20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.*

## B. Motivation through \_\_\_\_\_

*Acts 8:4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.*

*They* — the church, not the apostles (v. 1)

Definition—Scattered: to disperse

*Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

# 2. The Gospel was Spread by

\_\_\_\_\_ (4-5)

## A. Believers Preached the \_\_\_\_\_ (4)

*Acts 8:4–5 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.*

Definition—Preaching: to convey the Gospel; to bring the good news concerning the now present instantiation of Jesus' divine dominion and way of salvation by His death and resurrection.

Definition—Word: the content of what is preached about the good news of Jesus' way of salvation

*2 Corinthians 5:17–21 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. 20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. 21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.*

*1 Peter 3:15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:*

## **B. Philip the Deacon Preached \_\_\_\_\_(5)**

*Acts 8:5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.*

Definition—Preaching: to announce (herald) v. — to make known (important news) publicly and loudly (as if a herald).

*Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*

*Mark 5:19–20 Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee. 20 And he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel.*

*Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.*

*Romans 10:14–17 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? 17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

### 3. The Gospel was Spread to all \_\_\_\_\_

(4-8)

#### A. The Gospel has No \_\_\_\_\_ (4,5,8)

v. 4 — *went every where preaching*

v. 5 — *to the city of Samaria*

v. 8 — *in that city*

Quote: The contempt and hatred that the Jews entertained toward the Samaritans was manifested, not only in their refusal to have any dealings with them beyond what was demanded by necessity (John 4:9), but also in the fact that the Jews made the name Samaritan a synonym (John 8:48) for everything that was vile and contemptible. —Freeman

Philip—a Grecian Jew and therefore more broad-minded than Aramaic-speaking Jews in Israel

*Romans 10:12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.*

#### B. The Gospel brings great \_\_\_\_\_ (8)

*Acts 8:6-8 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. 7 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. 8 And there was great joy in that city.*

Definition—Joy: the emotion of great happiness and pleasure.

*Acts 2:46-47 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, 47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.*

### Conclusion

*Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations...*



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