

## PETER – Persecution and Scattering of the Church at Jerusalem - Acts 8 -

**Memory Verses:** 1 Corinthians 15:3,4; John 20:30,31; Acts 2:38,39;  
Acts 5:29; Genesis 12:1-3

**Bible Drills:** Separate Sheet. Prepare to answer with Bible and Lesson Book closed.

### Review:

1. Why had Achan taken the items from the city of Jericho? (Joshua 7:21)  
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2. Why did the Pharisees want Jesus to heal the man with the withered hand?  
How did Jesus feel? (Mark 3:1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
3. In whose name did Peter say that salvation is found? (Acts 4:2) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why did God allow both Ananias and Sapphira to die? (Acts 5:1-11) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Why did Gamaliel encourage the Sanhedrin to leave Peter and the rest of the apostles alone? (Acts 5:38-39) \_\_\_\_\_
6. The group of seven men in Jerusalem were chosen so that the apostles would have time to \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 6:4)
7. As the Sanhedrin heard the accusations against Stephen, they saw that his face looked like \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 6:15)
8. According to Stephen, who was a man in the Old Testament who left his home and went where God showed him? \_\_\_\_\_ Stephen said that God told Abraham that his descendants would be slaves in a foreign land for \_\_\_\_\_ years. (Acts 7:2-3; 6)
9. Stephen said the man who led the Israelites out of Egyptian slavery was \_\_\_\_\_.  
What prophecy did Moses tell the Israelites? \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 5:22-23)

### Where Are We?

1. **Map 1** – Locate *Egypt*. Label *Ethiopia* in **green**.
2. **Map 2** – Locate *Jerusalem*, *Judea* and *Samaria*. Label *Gaza*, *Azotus* and *Caesarea* in **red**.

### Who Is Involved?

1. Who wanted the power of the Holy Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who was found reading from the book of Isaiah? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who was persecuted in Jerusalem? \_\_\_\_\_

## Text Questions:

1. When did a persecution break out against the church at Jerusalem? Where did they go? Did the Christians who had left Jerusalem continue teaching? Where did the apostles go? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name the man who was putting Christians in prison in an effort to destroy the church. \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did Philip do in Samaria, which caused the people to give him their attendance? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Simon the sorcerer had amazed people in Samaria with \_\_\_\_\_. How did he respond to the teaching of the gospel by Philip? \_\_\_\_\_
5. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, Peter and John went there and \_\_\_\_\_. When Simon the sorcerer tried to buy the gift of the Holy Spirit with money, what did Peter say? What was Simon's plea? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What help did the eunuch of Ethiopia ask of Philip? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Why did the eunuch of Ethiopia order the chariot stopped? \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Scriptures

1. Dispersion of disciples was the beginning of the fulfillment of Jesus' instructions to His disciples – Acts 1:8
2. A Christian can fall from grace - 1 Corinthians 10:12; Galatians 5:4; 6:1,2
3. Paul determined to preach nothing except Jesus - 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
4. Joy is a fruit of the spirit - Galatians 5:22; Philippians 4:4
5. Baptism is a burial - Romans 6:3,4; Colossians 2:12
6. Saul – a Hebrew of Tarsus - Acts 9:11. He was well-educated and zealous in persecuting Christians – Acts 22:3,4. Chosen to be an apostle (Acts 9:1-31)
7. Jesus attached little value to faith resting upon miracles alone (John 2:23-25)
8. The responsibility to teach the lost - Matthew 28:19,20
9. Persecution will always follow those in Christ - 2 Timothy 3:12

## According to the Dictionary

1. Church \_\_\_\_\_
2. Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_

## In A Few Words

Briefly state what the lesson meant to you and how you can apply it to your life.

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