

1  **MIRACLES  
&  
MAGIC**

ACTS 8:4-25

2  **Philip preaches to Samaritans**

Who was Philip? Acts 6:2-6

Who were the Samaritans?

- Transplants into old "Israel"
- Adopted the religion of Jeroboam John 4:19-23
- Polluted with "sorcery"

3  **Miracles vs. Sorcery (magic)**

Acts 8:5-12

Philip preached Christ & performed miracles

People saw miracles – believed message

Vs.13 Simon saw difference & believed

4  **APOSTLES COME TO SAMARIA  
Acts 8:14-17**

Apostles sent Peter & John to Samaria

Laid their hands on Samaritans that they might receive the Holy Spirit

Samaritans had only been baptized in the name of Jesus.

5  **Impartation of the Holy Spirit (gifts)**

Not necessary for salvation.

Not connected with baptism.

Through the laying on of the apostles hands.

PHILIP HAD BEEN GIVEN MIRACULOUS GIFTS, BUT WAS NOT AN APOSTLE.

6  **SIMON'S SIN**

- Simon believed and was baptized – vs. 13  
– SAVED
- Simon reverted back to old ways vs. 18-19
- Simon's heart was not right vs. 21
- Simon was condemned vs. 20 & 23
- Peter told him Repent & Pray vs. 22

7  **SIMON'S RESPONSE**

- Pray for me
- Indicates penitence
- What happened to Simon?

8  **Samaria Hears the Gospel**

- Acts 8:24-25
- Fulfillment of Jesus words to the woman at the well
- Samaritans now have share in the Kingdom