

The Samaritan Conversion

## **BOLD [Community]**

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Acts 8:1-25

**The Gospel Reaches The Samaritans.** There was great joy in that city!

### **Simon The Sorcerer, Simon Magus, Simon The Magician**

“...he had amazed them for a long time with his sorcery.”

**Why had the believers in Samaria not received the Holy Spirit? Why?**

#### **NOW WHAT ABOUT SIMON?**

- also believed
- also was baptized
- But didn't receive the Holy Spirit

Wants to buy the gift of the God!

**Not a transaction, but a surrender.** Surrender is the transition from resistance to acceptance.

#### **NOW WHAT ABOUT US?**

- How surrendered am I?
- How yielded am I?
- How full am I?

#### **SPIRITUAL FULLNESS**

Turning away from:

- Self sufficiency
- Independence
- Self-dependence

#### **AND**

- **Giving / Surrendering ourselves more and more to:** A relationship of dependence in God.