

# GOOD NEWS FOR OUTCASTS

ACTS 8:4–25

JULY 7, 2024

- I. The Gospel Is for Outcasts (Part 1): Philip Proclaimed Christ in Samaria (4:4-8; 1:8; John 4)
  
- II. The Gospel Sets the Captives Free (8:9-13; Exo 7:11, 22; 8:7; 2 Thes 2:9-10; Isa 61:1)
  
- III. The Gospel for the Samaritans Confirmed by the Apostles and the Gift of the Holy Spirit (8:14-17; 2:38-39; Rom 8:9; Gal 3:2)
  
- IV. The Danger of False Profession and False Teachers: Simon Unmasked (8:18-24; Matt 7:21-23; 24:24)

## Reflection and Application Questions (for personal reflection and family conversation):

- 1. Which elements of this passage are unique to its setting (the gospel going to the Samaritans for the first time)? Which are normative for the church for all time?
- 2. What can you learn about evangelism from Philip?
- 3. How do you differentiate between a true and a false profession of faith in Christ?