

*Simon the Sorcerer (Acts 8 vs 9-25)*

- 1 The stoning of Stephen brought about ..... in the church

*On that day a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. Acts 8:1 (TNIV)*

*The Samaritan woman said to Jesus, 'You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink? (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans) John 4:9 (TNIV)*

*When Simon saw that the Spirit was given at the laying on of the apostles hands, he offered them money and said, 'Give me also the ability so that everyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit.' Acts 8:18,19 (TNIV)*

2. Simon was wanting..... more than he wanted Jesus.

Repent of this wickedness and pray to the Lord in the hope that he may forgive you for having such a thought in your heart. For I see that you are full of bitterness and captive to sin. Acts 8:22,23 (TNIV)

3. Simon's heart ..... before God
4. If our heart is not right with God, then ..... is our way back

*When Peter and John arrived, they prayed for the new believers that they might receive the Holy Spirit, because the Holy Spirit had not yet come on any of them; they had simply been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then Peter and John placed their hands upon them, and they received the Holy Spirit. Acts 8:15-17 (TNIV)*

*Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38 (TNIV)*

*You, however, are not controlled by the sinful nature but are in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ.*

*Romans 8:9 (TNIV)*

**5. Our lives ..... by the inward dwelling of the Holy Spirit**

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.*

*Galatians 5:22 (TNIV)*

- 6. You're Andrew, Simon Peter's .....
- 7. Philip, ..... with Peter, Andrew, James and John
- 8. Thomas was a bit ..... and was always .....

*Then Thomas (also known as Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples 'Let us also go that we may die with him' John 11:16 (TNIV)*

9. Simon the Zealot was a .....

10. Simon meet my disciple ..... he's a tax collector.

11. Judas Iscariot .....

10 What makes Christian communities Christian, isn't the presence of Christians,.....

Community is that place where the person you least want to live with, always lives. And when that person moves away, someone else rises to take their place. Parker Palmer