### BEYOND JERUSALEM | ACTS 8:1-25 WAVE CHURCH SD | JULY 19, 2021

Acts 8:1-8 (ESV) And Saul approved of his execution. And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

<sup>2</sup> Devout men buried Stephen and made great lamentation over him. <sup>3</sup> But Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison. <sup>4</sup> Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word. <sup>5</sup> Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. <sup>6</sup> And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. <sup>7</sup> For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. <sup>8</sup> So there was much joy in that city.

John 4:21-24 (NIV) <sup>21</sup> "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>23</sup> Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

#### **JESUS' CHURCH IS BORDERLESS**

**Acts 1:8 (NIV)** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

# THE GREATER THE <u>OPPOSITION</u>, THE GREATER THE LORD'S <u>PRESERVATION</u> OF THE <u>GOSPEL</u>.

Acts 8:9-13 (ESV) <sup>9</sup> But there was a man named Simon, who had previously practiced magic in the city and amazed the people of Samaria, saying that he himself was somebody great. <sup>10</sup> They all paid attention to him, from the least to the greatest, saying, "This man is the power of God that is called Great." <sup>11</sup> And they paid attention to him because for a long time he had amazed them with his magic. <sup>12</sup> But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. <sup>13</sup> Even Simon himself believed, and after being baptized he continued with Philip. And seeing signs and great miracles performed, he was amazed.

# THE CHURCH EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT TO PREACH THE GOSPEL HAS NO COMPETITION

**Acts 8:14-17 (ESV)** <sup>14</sup> Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, <sup>15</sup> who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, <sup>16</sup> for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. <sup>17</sup> Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

**Ephesians 1:13-14 (NIV)** <sup>13</sup> And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

Acts 8:18-24 (ESV) <sup>18</sup> Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money, <sup>19</sup> saying, "Give me this power also, so that anyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit." <sup>20</sup> But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money! <sup>21</sup> You have neither part nor lot in this matter, for your heart is not right before God. <sup>22</sup> Repent, therefore, of this wickedness of yours, and pray to the Lord that, if possible, the intent of your heart may be forgiven you. <sup>23</sup> For I see that you are in the gall of bitterness and in the bond of iniquity." <sup>24</sup> And Simon answered, "Pray for me to the Lord, that nothing of what you have said may come upon me."

# WHEN YOU ARE A CHURCH WITHOUT BORDERS, WEEDS ARE CERTAIN TO GROW

**Acts 8:25 (ESV)** Now when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans.

#### TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW SPIRITUALLY

- NEED TO KNOW OPPORTUNITIES
- NEED TO GROW OPPORTUNITIES

## **CONNECT**

#### DOWNLOAD THE WAVE CHURCH SD APP!

If you are new to Wave, or just haven't done this yet, we invite you to download our church app! It's where you will find the weekly bulletin to take notes, lyrics to the worship songs, Life Group study guides, past sermons, and our announcements. Scan this QR code to get started!



#### **WAVE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

Want to keep up with all that is going on at Wave? Simply fill out your communication card and write 'Newsletter' to get a weekly email update from Wave!

## **GROW**

#### Old Testament Survey Class | July 5th - Sept. 6th

Join us Monday nights at 7 p.m. on Zoom as we learn together the truths captured in the Old Testament.

## **SERVE**

#### SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE | July 18th - Aug. 15th

We are doing a School Supplies Drive this year for the kids at Door of Faith Orphanage to bless them and the school. Look for the list in the Newsletter, and while you are out shopping for back-to-school supplies, please grab some extra things and drop them off at church on Sundays.

#### KIDS' MINISTRY | VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

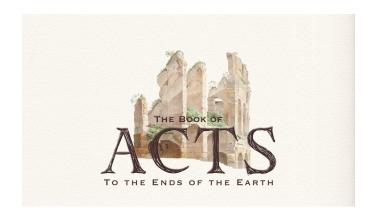
With our Kids' Ministry returning to in-person meetings, we have volunteer opportunities to serve with our youth. If you are interested in helping or finding out how you can serve, please contact info@wavechurchsd.com.

#### SET-UP/TEAR-DOWN | VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Moving back inside the auditorium means we need volunteers for our Set-Up and Tear-Down Teams! If you are looking for a way to serve your church family, contact info@wavechurchsd.com.

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