

HOW REVIVAL ACTS

Acts 8:9-13



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Acts 8:9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one:

10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

11 And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

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Original Word: μαγεύω

Transliteration: mageuó

Short Definition: I practice sorcery or magic

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ii. His Motive, 8:9b "...and bewitched the people of Samaria giving out that himself was some great one:"

Original Word: ἐξίστημι

Transliteration: existémi

Definition: (lit: I remove from a standing position), (a) in trans. tenses: I astonish, amaze, (b) in intrans. tenses: I am astonished, amazed; I am out of my mind, am mad., bewitched. <http://biblehub.com/greek/1839.htm>

(b) His Disciples, 8:10-12

i. Why They Followed Him, 8:10-11

Acts 8:10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God. 11 And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

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1 Jn. 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Luke 10:1 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come. ...

17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, **Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.**

Ex. 7:10 And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and **the sorcerers: now the magicians** of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.

12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

Ex. 7:11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments. ...

22 And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the LORD had said.

Ex. 8:7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt. ...

18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

Mt. 24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Rev. 13:11 And I beheld another **beast** coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. ...

13 And **he doeth great wonders**, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

14 And **deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means of those miracles*** which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

ii. Why They Forsook Him. 8:12

Acts 8:12 But when **they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ**, they were baptized, both men and women.

(c) His Decision, 8:13

Acts 8:13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

Original Word: θεωρέω

Transliteration: theóreó

Definition: I look at, gaze, behold; I see, experience, discern; I partake of.

[(*theōréō*) is the root of the English term "theatre," i.e. where people *concentrate on the meaning* of an action (performance).] <http://biblehub.com/greek/2334.htm>

2 Tim. 3:5 Having **a form of godliness**, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. ...

8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: **men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.**

ἀδόκιμος adókimos, from (as a negative particle) and unapproved, i.e. rejected; by implication, worthless (literally or morally):—castaway, rejected, reprobate. (Not standing the test, not approved.)

<http://m.blb.org/lang/Lexicon/Lexicon.cfm?strongs=G96&t=KJV>

Conclusion

Acts 8:21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and *in* the bond of iniquity.

24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.

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noun

1. The making of profit out of sacred things.
2. The sin of buying or selling ecclesiastical preferments, benefices, etc.

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