

## Lessons Learned By Simon

Acts 8:9-24

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- ▶ **He learned the purpose of miracles.**
  - Real miracles. cf. Mark 16:17-18
  - Note: Acts 3:6-7; 13:9; 28:2-5
  - Miracles confirmed the word. Hebrews 2:3-4
  - Word is confirmed. Jude 3
  - Physical healing was never the purpose. cf. 2 Timothy 4:20

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- ▶ **He learned that spiritual gifts are given by the apostles. Acts 8:14-18**

- Apostles had laid their hands on Philip (Acts 6:5-6), but Philip did not have the power to pass this on. Acts 8:17
- *"That which is perfect..." 1 Corinthians 13; James 1:25*

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- ▶ **He learned what to do to be saved. Acts 8:13**

- He obeyed the command of Jesus. Mark 16:15-16
- Added to the church. Acts 2:47
- He heard, believed and obeyed the gospel & was baptized for the forgiveness of sins. Galatians 3:26-27

- NOTE: What he was NOT told:
  - Accept Jesus as your personal savior.
  - Pray the sinner's prayer.

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- ▶ **He learned that a child of God can fall. Acts 8:19-24**

- Simon continued for a while and fell into his old ways. Acts 8:13; Galatians 5:4

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- ▶ **He learned how to be restored. Acts 8:20-23**

- A child of God has access to God's throne of grace. Hebrews 4:16; 1 Timothy 2:5

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- ▶ **He learned the meaning of love. Acts 8:20-24**
  - Peter rebuked him because he loved him.

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- ▶ Purpose of miracles.
- ▶ Spiritual gifts given by the apostles.
- ▶ What to do to be saved.
- ▶ Once saved, not always saved.
- ▶ How to be restored.
- ▶ Meaning of love.

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