

"Mission to the Masses" Acts 8:4-8.

1-Samaria ....Location etc.

1-Samaria comes from a Greek word which means;

1-Watch, or pertaining to a watch; or watch mountain.

2-Samaria established by Omri 1-Kings 16:24-25

1-Omri bought the hill from Shemer for two talents of silver. (about \$3840) As king over Israel, Omri did worse than all that were before him.

3-Samaria was the capital of the kingdom of Israel.

4-1-Kings 16:32-33; Ahab (married Jezebel) built a temple to Baal.

5-St. Jerome says:

1-That Samaria was the place where St. John the Baptist was imprisoned and suffered death.

2-Jerome also makes it the burial place of Elisha and Obadiah.

2-Jesus met the Samaritan woman in Samaria;

John 4:1-45; ( Four or five years before Phillip) ( went to Samaria)

1-Samaria was not merely partially, but wholly evacuated of its inhabitants ( Israel ) by in B. C. 721 .

2-About 44 years latter, or 671 B. C. the king of Assyria brought men from Babylon and other places and they inhabited Samaria. 2-Kings 17:24

3-They were idolators.

3-The people of Samaria:

1-They were the victims of ignorance and false teaching.

2-They trusted to a large extent in the joys of this world and had found them to be ruinous.

1-They were deceptive, consuming, filthy, degrading and completely shut out the light of truth.

3-They searched for a remedy:

1-There was no remedy in civilization.

2-No remedy science, social conditions, or social schemes.

3-No remedy in mere intellectual growth.

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4-The gospel a proclamation of great joy to Samaria and to our cities..

1-The gospel brings great joy to the individual heart.

1-Peter 1-8;

Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

5-The gospel brings great joy to houses and families....

1-Lydia and her household were baptized and she constrained Paul and his company to come into her house and abide there.

Acts 16:14-15.

2-The jailer at Phillipi: Acts 16:25-34.

1-And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

6-Other examples:

1-Penticost.

2-The Ethiopian.

3-Cornelius.....

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