

Compelling Christianity #19: Color-blind Acts 8.4-25

I. 1000 Years of Bad Blood (8.5)

10 th c. BC	Divided Kingdom
8 th c. BC	Assyrian invasion/captivity
6 th c. BC	Jews refused Sam's share in rebuilding Temple
4 th c. BC	Built rival Temple on Mt. Gerizim
2 nd c. BC	John Hyrcanus (Judah) destroyed Gerizim Temple and city of Samaria
1 st c. BC	Romans release Samaria from Judean control
6 AD	Some Samaritans desecrate Jerusalem Temple

Jews considered Samaritans religious _____ and an impure _____.

For Jews, there was no such thing as a _____.

II. A Surprise in Samaria (8.5-8, 14-17)

A. Samaritans received the same _____!

B. Why the delay in receiving the Holy Spirit? _____!

1. Brought the Samaritans under the _____.

2. Showed the apostles that the Samaritans were legitimately _____.

C. Implications

1. The Gospel is for _____.

2. There is no _____!
(Gal 3.28; Rom 3.22; 1 Cor 12.13; Col 3.11)

3. There is no _____ with God.
(Deut 10.17; Gal 2.6; Eph 6.9; Col 3.25; Rom 2.11)

III. Changed _____ (8.25; Lk 9.51-56)