

## Transformation Card

*This page provides an overview of the message and resources for individual and group study.*

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### **Sermon Audio**

Full Msg. Title: **How God Advanced His Kingdom Beyond Jerusalem**

Short Ver. Title: Beyond Jerusalem

Series Title\*: Acts

Text: Acts 8:01-08

Key Words: Saul, persecution, Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, apostles, preaching the word, Philip, proclaiming Christ, rejoicing

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Series: Acts

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### ***Message Outline***

#### **How God Advanced His Kingdom Beyond Jerusalem**

- I. He Had Already Prepared Jesus' Disciples for Kingdom Life
- II. He Allowed Persecution to Scatter Jesus' Witnesses beyond Jerusalem
- III. He Worked Miraculously Through Jesus' Disciples and their Preaching

### ***God's Word for Devotions***

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| 1. Gen 3:15           | 5. Acts 6:1-6; 21:7-9 |
| 2. Luke 24:27, 44-49  | 6. John 4             |
| 3. Acts 1:1-8         | 7. Acts 8             |
| 4. Acts 9:1-2, 22:3-5 |                       |

### ***Talk About It with Your Friends and Family***

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| 1. What noted change is now reported in the life of the newly formed church (1-3)? | 3. Looking back and looking forward, who was Philip and what was he doing (5-6)?                                    |
| 2. What do you make of Jesus' scattered disciples choice of activity (4)?          | 4. Remembering Acts 1:8, what is significant about Samaria (5 ff.) and what is happening in the larger plan of God? |

### ***Memory and Meditation Verse***

"Therefore, those who had been scattered went about preaching the word." Acts 8:4 (NASB)

### ***Community Life***

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| 1. Donations for Bibles and your time sorting clothes on 7/9 are both appreciated for the Living Hope Tagum City, in the Philippines. Contact Rod. | 2. Community Groups have started. Please join us! |
|  | 3. Your cleaning services appreciated.            |
|  | 4. Potluck Scheduled Sunday, July __!             |

### ***Next Week***

Focus Text: Acts 8:09-24 -- What do you make of Simon's magical powers and fame (9 ff.)? What do you make of Simon's belief, baptism and continuance with Philip (9-13) in light of the events of 14-24 and Peter's assessment of Simon? Why might Peter have reacted so strongly in verses 20 ff.? Does this passage argue for or against a second filling of the Holy Spirit (15-17) as the normative Christian experience?