

# Life Application Questions

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*Consider the following sermon-based questions for your individual study or with a group of folks like one of the several Life Groups available at Chilson Hills.*

## **Foundational Scripture:**

*Acts 8:9-25*

## **Featured Scripture Reflection**

*“Then Simon answered, ‘Pray to the Lord for me so that nothing you have said may happen to me.’ ” (Acts 8:24, NIV)*

## **Opening Icebreaker**

*What ability or skill would you pay top dollar for, to have in your life?*

## **Scripture Questions**

*What is the scripture saying?*

- What do Simon and Philip have in common? What are their differences?
- Given that the Samaritans are considered outcasts by the Jews, what does it say about the gospel that Peter and John have come to anoint them?
- What is the possible lesson that God is seeking to teach by holding off the Holy Spirit until Peter and John get to Samaria?
- What do you think is Simon’s motive with his request in verse 24?

*How is your life touched?*

- What cultural or ethnic prejudices were in your family when you were growing up? How do these prejudices affect your life today?
- What was your primary motive in accepting the Lord Jesus into your life?
- How has jealousy of other Christians hindered your faith?
- Has your personal influence with people grown or declined in the past few years? How does your faith in Jesus affect your influence?

*What is God’s invitation to you?*

- The Holy Spirit is a powerful influence in a Christ-centered life. Jesus invites you to trust in the Holy Spirit rather than your own skills and talents. What is one way you can trust in the Spirit this week? How can the group support you?

*What can you pray for?*

Pray that Chilson Hills will be a joyous Community of God’s incredible love power celebrating Jesus-Christ forgiveness and living within God’s power to transform lives!