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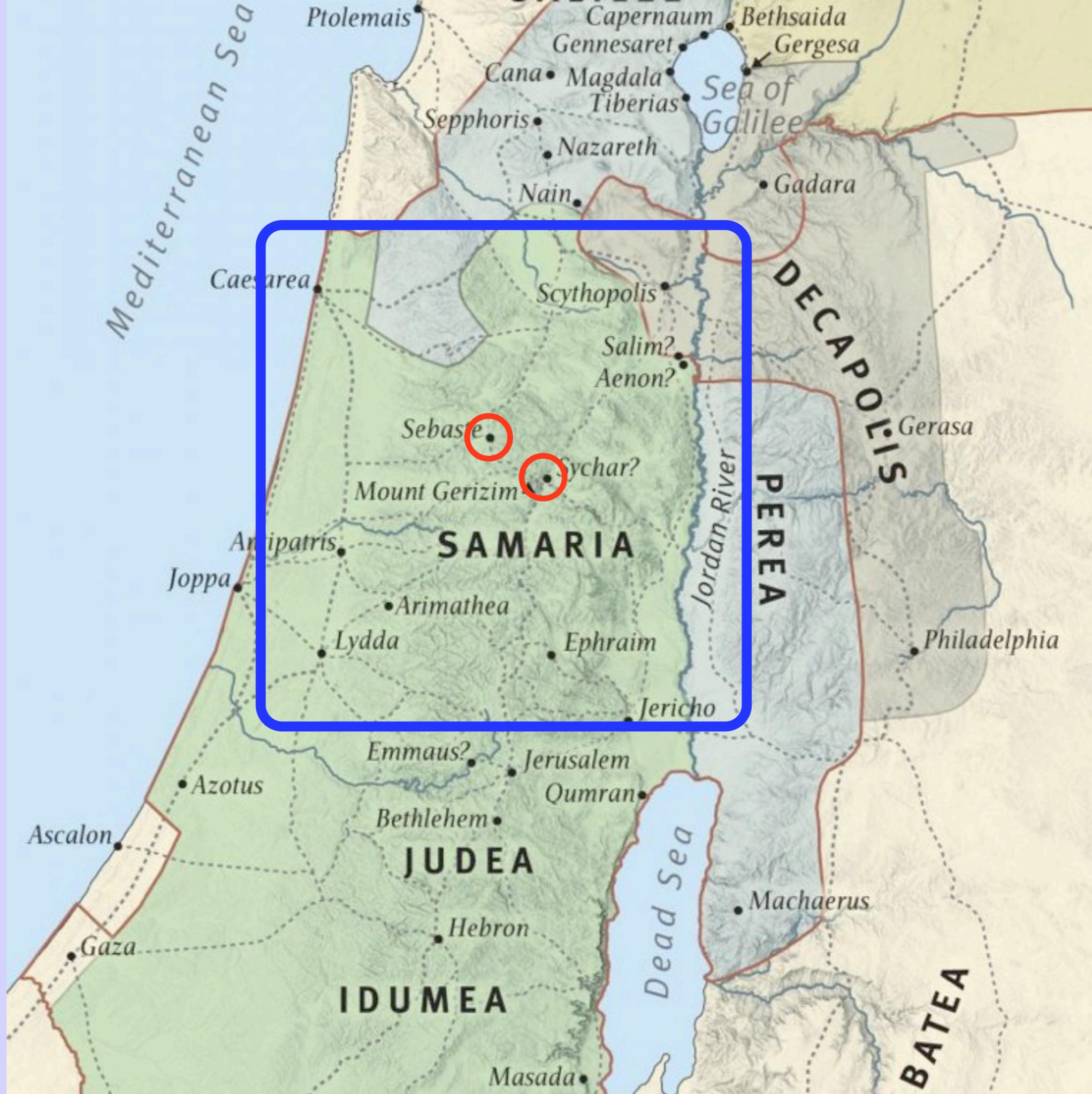
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# The Acts of the Apostles “To the end of the earth” Acts 1:8

## Simon and Salvation: When is Belief, not Belief? Acts 8:9–18





**Acts 8:5, “Then Philip went down to ~~[the]~~ city of Samaria and preached Christ to them.**

**Acts 8:6, “And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.**

**Acts 8:7, “For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed.**

**Acts 8:8, “And there was great joy in that city.”**

**Acts 8:9, “But there was a certain man called Simon, who previously practiced sorcery in the city and astonished the people of Samaria, claiming that he was someone great,**

**Acts 8:10, “to whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, ‘This man is the great power of God.’ ”**

**Deut. 18:11, “or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead.**

**Deut. 18:12, “For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD, and because of these abominations the LORD your God drives them out from before you.**

**Deut. 18:13, “You shall be blameless before the LORD your God.**

**Deut. 18:14, “For these nations which you will dispossess listened to soothsayers and diviners; but as for you, the LORD your God has not appointed such for you.”**

**Ezek. 21:21, “For the king of Babylon stands at the parting of the road, at the fork of the two roads, to use divination: he shakes the arrows, he consults the images, he looks at the liver.”**

**Ex. 7:11, “But Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers; so the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.”**

**Ex. 7:22, “Then the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments; and Pharaoh’s heart grew hard, and he did not heed them, as the LORD had said.”**

**Ex. 8:18, “Now the magicians so worked with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not. So there were lice on man and beast.”**

**Ex. 9:11, “And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians and on all the Egyptians.”**

**Ex. 22:18, “You shall not permit a sorceress to live.”**

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**Acts 2:22, “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know—”**

**2 Cor. 12:12, “Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.”**

**Acts 2:44, “Now all who believed were together,  
and had all things in common,”**

**Acts 4:4, “However, many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men came to be about five thousand.”**

**Acts 4:32, “Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common.”**

**Acts 5:14, “And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women,”**

**Acts 8:12, “But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.**

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**Acts 9:26, “And when Saul had come to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples; but they were all afraid of him, and did not believe that he was a disciple.”**

**Acts 9:42, “And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.”**

**Acts 10:43, “To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins.”**

**Acts 10:45, “And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also.”**

**Acts 11:17, “If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?”**

**Acts 11:21, “And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.”**

**Acts 13:12, “Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord.”**

**Acts 13:39, “and by Him everyone who believes is justified from all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses.”**

**Acts 14:1, “Now it happened in Iconium that they went together to the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke that a great multitude both of the Jews and of the Greeks believed.”**

**Acts 14:23, “So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.”**