

ENCOUNTER – OUTREACH

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Ten days from now is Christmas Eve! Our reading for today is Acts 8:1–25. Alongside persecution of the church came great power for outreach – interesting how that happens... Remember Jesus' challenge to his disciples in Acts 1:8? In that challenge, he calls us to take the Good News to our Jerusalem (people close to us and like us), our Judea and Samaria (people farther away from us culturally) and the ends of the earth (people both spatially and culturally/religiously different from us). It might be a good time to review Jesus' interaction with the Samaritan woman at the well (John 4) remembering that Jews did not associate with Samaritans – least of all a rabbi.

Where does spiritual authority come from? Who is your Samaria? How could the Spirit work through you? Click on the link on the blue square to listen to an oldie but a goodie from Andre Crouch...