

Radical Repentance Acts 19:1-20 (Lesson #26)



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Twelve-point outline of Chapter 19:1-20:

- 1) Luke picks up his account with what Paul was doing while Apollos was still in Ephesus, namely he was traveling through the inland country and came to Ephesus (19:1).
- 2) In Ephesus Paul found 12 disciples, who were baptized by John, yet have never heard about the Holy Spirit (19:2-3, 7).
- 3) Paul shared the gospel with them, they believed, and when Paul laid his hands on them, they were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues (19:4-6).
- 4) Luke then tells us that Paul spent three months ministering in the synagogue at Ephesus (19:8).
- 5) But then some of the Jews became hardened and rejected Paul's teaching and Paul took the believers and left the synagogue and began teaching in the Hall of Tyrannus (19:9).
- 6) We are then told that he continued teaching daily in the Hall of Tyrannus for two years, which resulted in "all the residents of Asia" hearing the Word of the Lord (19:10).
- 7) Luke then tells us about the extraordinary miracles that God was doing through Paul (19:11-12).
- 8) The sons of Sceva likely saw Paul doing these miracles, even casting out demons, and they attempted to do what he was doing like he did it (19:13-14).
- 9) Luke records how the demonic spirit energized the man who was demon possessed and the man leaped on the sons of Sceva, overpowering them, and they ran away naked and wounded (19:15-16).
- 10) What happened became known to all the residents of Ephesus and great fear fell on them all and the name of the Lord was magnified (19:17).
- 11) Also, many who had dabbled in the dark arts came confessing their sins, and burned their magic books publicly (19:18-19).
- 12) Luke ends by telling Theophilus that the Word of the Lord continued to increase and prevailed mightily.

19:1 - And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples.

Luke connects this to the last chapter by telling us that this was happening while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus.

By the way this is the last mention of Apollos in the book of Acts.

Obviously, a lot happened here that Luke for whatever reason does not record.

What he does record is that Paul passes through the "inland country, so this would be Asia minor, as a reminder Paul was not allowed to enter Asia on the first missionary journey, here he passes through it.

It is possible that Paul did not stop at many cities but instead worked his way, as fast as he could across Asia to get to Ephesus. If you remember they desired for him to stay longer, but he declined but told them he would return "Lord willing" (Acts 18:21, ESV).

Here as promised, Paul is back in Ephesus, and there in Ephesus he found these disciples.

Vs 2 - And he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."

It seems there was something about these disciples, maybe it was in something they said, but Paul asked them point-blank: **Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?** Their response was surprising in that that they had **not even heard of a Holy Spirit.**

Now this is very interesting, first it shows that they left the area of Judea long before Acts 2. But more than that, it shows they were not familiar with some of the things that John proclaimed (Mr 1:4-9) and thus had possibly never heard of Jesus of Nazareth, only they believed in the one who John said was to come.

These men had not so much as heard there is a Holy Spirit. Reading between the lines, it appears these men had a more primitive knowledge than even Apollos. Having only a basic understanding of what John the Baptist taught and probably never having heard or saw Jesus.

This response caused Paul to ask another question.

Vs 3 - And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism."

Then he asked them "into what the were you baptized?" You can see what he is getting at.

When you and I were baptized, we were baptized into the dead, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. Remember what Paul said in Romans 6.

Here Paul is asking these disciples, into what and possibly even who were you baptized? Then their response, into John's baptism.

Like Apollos, they had heard the preaching of John. But unlike Apollos, reading between the lines, they knew a lot less than Apollos did and they likely had never heard about Jesus.

They were baptized, confessing and repenting of their sins, waiting for the one that John proclaimed.

They had believed John's message and like many, they were baptized by him, but that appears to be the end of their experience. If you remember John baptized a number of people (Mat 3:1-6).

Their knowledge was incomplete, they had been baptized based on the **one who was coming that John proclaimed.** It appears they did not know anything about Jesus of Nazareth or the Holy Spirit.

Vs 4 - And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus."

The Paul explains the issue: John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is Jesus.

They needed more than to repent and wait for the one John promised. They needed to believe not in the abstract, but in the one John ultimately proclaimed, namely Jesus!

Jesus was the one that John had promised, He had come, He had died, and He had rose from the grave and they needed to believe in Him to receive eternal life!

Vs 5 - On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Then it appears upon hearing the full story about Jesus, they **confessed faith in Him**, in His finished work at Calvary, and they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Before we move on: Notice how Luke records this, they were **baptized in the name of the Lord, Jesus.**

The Greek word translated Lord is κύριος (kurios). It means lord, master, the one who calls the shots, the one who is the sovereign.

You see faith in Jesus, is at its core a turning from our sins and self-sufficiency, and a turning by faith to the Lord Jesus.

It is to remove ourselves from the throne of our lives and place Jesus there, He gets to call the shots, He becomes the sovereign over our lives!

Vs 6 - And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying.

Then Paul laid his hands on them and the Holy Spirit came on them and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying. This is the fourth time in the book of Acts we have seen a group of people speak in tongues.

Keep in mind we have seen many examples of people getting saved, but only on four occasions did it accompany speaking in tongues.

Let's take a look at the gift of tongues in the book of Acts (see the last page).

Vs 7 - There were about twelve men in all.

Then Luke tells us there were about twelve men in all. If nothing else it is interesting that there are twelve.

SO YOU KNOW: One of the great debates is if these men were saved or not when they met Paul. There are great arguments for either position and I do not know if we can ever be fully sure.

What we can know is that something was lacking with these men, much worse than what we saw with Apollos, who was not rebaptized. Paul recognized what was lacking, shared the gospel, they placed faith in Jesus, and the Holy Spirit fell on them. Of these items we can be sure!

Another Point: David Guzik in his commentary said this: "God always wants us to go deeper. We tend to sip where we could drink deeply; we drink deeply where we could wade in, and we wade in where we could plunge in and swim. Most of us need to be encouraged to go deeper and further into the things of the Holy Spirit."

Vs 8 - And he entered the synagogue and for three months spoke boldly, reasoning and persuading them about the kingdom of God.

Here we go, as soon as Paul arrives in a city, if there is a synagogue there, you can be sure Paul will head for that synagogue and begin proclaiming Jesus.

Here in Ephesus Paul goes to the synagogue, although he has preached in this synagogue before, in fact if you remember he left Aquilla and Priscilla who likely preached in this synagogue. But Paul goes back to the synagogue.

Paul, back in Ephesus preaches and teaches for three months about Jesus. This is the **longest period recorded** in the book of Acts where Paul preached at a **single synagogue**.

Luke tells us a couple of things about his preaching, so let's walk through them:

1) He spoke boldly. This is a single Greek word παρρησιάζομαι (parrhesiazomai). It means to speak with boldness, to speak with great assurance, to speak with great confidence. He spoke boldly! As you might imagine this is in the **imperfect** tense, highlighting that he kept speaking boldly for the three-month period.

- 2) He reasoned, the Greek word is διαλέγομαι (dialegomai), it means to converse, to discuss, or even to argue.
 - This word focuses on touching the intellect of another person.
- 3) He spoke boldly, he reasoned, and he **persuaded**. The Greek word here is $\pi \epsilon i\theta \omega$ (**peitho**). It means to persuade, to work to induce others by your words to believe what you are saying.

Notice he was persuading them about the Kingdom of God.

It appears, and we do not want to take the text to a place that it does not go, but it appears in this three-month period Paul went beyond the basics of the gospel, of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus and discussed "the Kingdom of God."

During His forty days, following his crucifixion, but prior to His ascension, Jesus taught the apostles about the Kingdom of God (Acts 1:3).

We can imagine that Jews would have many questions about the Kingdom and why Jesus did not immediately set it up. So what is the Kingdom of God?

Broadly speaking, the kingdom of God is the rule of the eternal, sovereign God over the universe. There are a number of Bible passages that show God is the undeniable sovereign over all creation: The Lord does as he please on heaven and in earth (Psalm 135:6). "The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all" (Psalm 103:19). And, as King Nebuchadnezzar declared, "His kingdom is an eternal kingdom" (Daniel 4:3). Every authority that exists has been established by God (Romans 13:1). So, in its broadest and most basic sense, the kingdom of God incorporates everything that is.

More narrowly, the kingdom of God is the spiritual rule of God over the hearts and lives of those who have submitted to God's authority. In this narrower sense, those who reject God's authority and will not submit to Him are not part of the kingdom of God; in contrast, those who acknowledge the lordship of Christ and surrender to God's rule in their hearts are part of the kingdom of God. In this sense, the kingdom of God is spiritual— as Jesus said, His kingdom was not of this world (John 18:36), and as He preached, repentance is necessary to be a part of this kingdom (Matthew 4:17). The linkage of spiritual rebirth equate salvation to being a member of the kingdom of God (John 3:5–7), where Jesus says to enter the kingdom of God one must be born again.

Vs 9 - But when some became stubborn and continued in unbelief, speaking evil of the Way before the congregation, he withdrew from them and took the disciples with him, reasoning daily in the hall of Tyrannus.

As Paul ministered in the synagogue, some became stubborn. **The Greek word literally means hardened**. It appears that they became hardened intellectually and began to reject and deny what Paul was teaching.

Thus, Luke says they **continued in their unbelief** that Jesus was the promised Messiah.

That same group **began speaking evil of the way.** Here Christianity and following Jesus is referred to by Luke, likely in referencing what other people called it, as **"the way."**

This might very well hearken back to what Jesus said in (John 14:6).

They began speaking evil of the fact that Jesus was the way, and we could add, the only way, to be right with God. They began speaking evil of the idea that Jesus rose from the grave, they began to speak evil before the congregation, (we should assume this is the congregation of the synagogue).

And what happens next we have seen before, following this hardening and many beginning to speak evil of the way, we read what Paul does: "he withdrew from them and took the disciples with him..."

Paul withdrew, he ceased casting his pearls before the swine. Their continued rejection of the message of Jesus, proved they were swine.

Paul then left the synagogue taking with him those who had placed faith in Jesus Christ, he took with him his disciples.

He then relocated his base of teaching away from the synagogue, to the Hall of Tyrannus.

Tyrannus was likely a man who lived in Ephesus who had a Greek lecture hall or a school building of some kind. It seems from the context that he opened this hall up for Paul to use and we are told that Paul, reasoned daily from that hall.

The word translated "reasoned" is the exact same word we saw in verse 8. Again the Greek word is διαλέγομαι (dialegomai), it means to converse, to discuss, or even to argue.

But now Paul is **reasoning daily**, and he is doing so in a **forum that is completely open to the Gentiles in Ephesus.**

The ESV footnote states that one Greek manuscript adds the detail in Acts 19:9 that Paul taught in Tyrannus' lecture hall "from the 5th hour unto the 10th"; that is, **from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM**.

From historical records it is known that the people in Ephesus worked into the wee hours of the morning, but they rested from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

If the footnote is correct, it appears that Paul chose that time, when most of the city would not be working to preach. Luke tells us he did this daily.

Can you imagine how prepared the believers were in Ephesus to **share the gospel** and interact with unbelievers about the gospel!

If you are like me, you might be wondering; have we ever located this hall?

About 20% of the ancient city of Ephesus has been excavated and at this point in time we have not located the Hall of Tyrannus, but we have found evidence that Tyrannus was a common name in Ephesus in the first century, but we have not found evidence of this hall where Paul lectured daily.

Although we have not found the Hall of Tyrannus, we have found something similar in Megiddo. For a moment, I would like to tell you about the **Megiddo Mosaic**.

Vs 10 - This continued for two years, so that all the residents of Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.

Then Luke tells us that Paul continued these daily lectures for 2 years! If you add that to the three months he labored in the synagogue in Ephesus that would bring us to a total of 2 years and 3 months.

In Acts 20:31, Paul said this to the Elders (plural) of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:25-31).

God did this through Paul and Luke records the outcome of these lectures. So that all the residents of Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.

In the New Testament we read about many churches in Asia where it is never recorded that Paul or anyone else visited. These include Colossae, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea.

It is likely through Paul's work in Ephesus for two years, we find the explanation of how these churches formed.

People from these cities heard Paul teach in Ephesus and carried it back to their home cities. Also Ephesians who heard the teaching of Paul shared the gospel with those in surrounding cities.

But hear what Luke says. Through Paul's daily teaching in the Hall of Tyrannus, which lasted two years, Luke tells us that all the residents of Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.

Vs 11 - And God was doing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, 12 so that even handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.

But it was more than that if you can imagine? During this same time, **God was doing extraordinary miracles** by the hands of the Paul. It is worth noting that Luke credits these "extraordinary miracles" to God!

Let me let you in on what goes through my mind when I read a verse like verse 12, so these extraordinary miracles are mentioned, as opposed to what, **ordinary miracles?** What are we talking about here?

But here is the point, Luke who had catalogued plenty of miracles in Acts and in Luke, here Luke calls what God was doing through the hands of Paul in Ephesus "extraordinary miracles."

These **two Greek words** are translated a few different ways by other translations, **"special miracles"** (KJV), **"unusual miracles"** (NKJV), **"Unusual demonstrations of power"** (Phillips), **"mighty works"** (Youngs) and then **"extraordinary miracles"** by (ESV, HCSB, RSV).

I thing once we work through this verse, you will agree with the Phillips translation, what we see here are "unusual demonstrations of power."

Then Luke tells us what one of these extraordinary miracles were: so that even handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.

OK, I agree with Luke, this is an extraordinary miracle, I am unaware of any miracle like this happening even with Jesus! This was an amazing time in the life of the early church!

Multiple authors mention that the handkerchiefs (ESV) were likely sweat rags that Paul tied around his head when he was working and the aprons were likely referring the linen aprons artisans wear when they work.

By simply by touching things that Paul had touched (sweat-rags and aprons) people are being **cured of their diseases** (by the way this is being reported my a **medical doctor**) and **evils spirits are leaving people without anyone personally having to cast them out.**

PAUSE: What God is doing here in Ephesus, through the **hands of Paul** is indeed **EXTRAORDINARY!**

Now we do not know how it worked, but I suspect it was much like what we read in Acts about Peter's shadow or in the gospels when the woman touched the hem of Jesus' garment.

By the way, this is an unusual miracle it that was not common, either prior to this or after this.

But God did extraordinary miracles in Ephesus and we should not be surprised when God does something new and exciting on our planet.

If God can do things like this, things not really explained in His Word, things that on the surface, almost appear superstitious? How do we know if God is doing it, man is doing it, or even Satan is doing it?

My answer, look for the fruit (look for the radically changed lives) for the glory of God!

OK, now if you thought this was interesting, look what Luke tells us next!

Vs 13 - Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists undertook to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, "I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims."

Yikes! This is amazing, interesting, and shocking. There were some itinerant Jewish exorcists that were there in Ephesus.

When we read the New Testament we read about many examples of Jesus and the apostles casting out demons. It does sound weird to our modern ear, but these things did happen!

You should know that history tells us that during this time there were traveling **Jewish fortune tellers and exorcists** who traveled around **practicing exorcisms**. One is right to assume that they are meddling in the dark arts and thus being disobedient to God.

These traveling Jewish fortune tellers and exorcists, have likely heard of all that is going on through Paul and how evil spirits are coming out of people simply from touching handkerchiefs and aprons that Paul had touched.

They had also likely heard Paul heal the sick or cast out demons. It appears that they assumed the **power was in the words**, like it was a **magical spell** and they simply needed to **repeat the words** that Paul used.

So, they opted to give their new method a try. Luke tells us that they decided to "invoke the name of Jesus over those who had evil spirits.

Luke records what they decided to start saying: "I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims."

Vs 14-15 - Seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva were doing this. 15 But the evil spirit answered them, "Jesus I know, and Paul I recognize, but who are you?"

Next Luke tells us about a specific group, these were seven brothers. They were seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva.

In my estimation, when they encountered a person they believed was demon possessed, they would likely strike some kind of bargain with his friends or family members and then once the money had passed hands, they would attempt to cast out the demon.

It was only a matter of time and now it was time to employ their new method. They attempt to cast out a demon from a demon possessed man following their new procedure. Luke records for us what happened!

The evil spirit speaks (either directly or through the man) and says: Jesus I know, the Greek word is γινώσκω (ginosko), it means to know intimately (Adam knew Eve), to know by experience and/or interaction.

Further the evil spirit says, Paul I recognize, this is a different Greek verb, it is the word ἐπίσταμαι (epistamai). It means to know about or be acquainted with.

As we might imagine the demon has a detailed knowledge of the one who created him, and he has heard about, he is loosely aquatinted with the missionary Paul.

I know Jesus, and I am familiar with Paul, but you, who are you seven?

Fruchtenbaum writes in his commentary: "The Greek is far more emphatic and states, 'But you? Who are you?' The demon knew Yeshua well, and he recognized Paul as a legate of Yeshua, but these seven sons of Sceva had no such recognition or authority."

Can you imagine their surprise, but there is more...

Vs 16 - And the man in whom was the evil spirit leaped on them, mastered all of them and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

The demon possessed man "leapt on them", the Greek here means to spring like a panther.

The demon suddenly empowered and energized the man and the man leapt on them and **mastered all seven of them**. The demon possessed man, over powered them. The man possessed with the demon entered into a brawl with the seven sons of Sceva!

Overcame brings it with the idea of **bring someone under your power**. The demon possessed man over powered or prevailed against them.

We should imagine that this was a **very physical interaction**, in which the seven sons of Sceva, having been over-powered, having been beaten up by this this man possessed by an evil spirit, they **fled out of the house naked and wounded (beat-up).**

This turned in an MMA fight right there on the streets of Ephesus.

This was like one of those kung-fu movies where one man beats down seven men.

APPLICATION: Can I say something a little hard? There are people who attend church, attend a small group sing in the choir, teach Sunday School lessons, maybe even preach sermons.

Yet they do not truly know the one they are talking or singing about. They are like the sons of Sceva following a formula without a relationship and like the sons of Sceva they will meet with ruin.

I want to make one more point. Some of the problems we run into may have a **spiritual component** to them (Eph 6:10-20).

If we are busy for the kingdom, we should not be surprised if we run into problems and we should at least suspect that some of it is spiritual warfare.

When they happen to us we should be like Paul and recognize that in our weakness God's strength is perfected!

Vs 17 - And this became known to all the residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks. And fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled.

The word of what happened with the seven sons of Sceva **spread** (as we might imagine) **throughout the residents of Ephesus** (both Jews and Greeks).

This caused great fear to fall upon all of them and more importantly the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled, the name of the Lord was magnified, the name of the Lord was made great.

All of this magnified the person and work of Jesus! It magnified, made great, lifted up, extolled the person and work of Jesus Christ!

Vs 18-19 - Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices. 19 And a number of those who had practiced magic arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted the value of them and found it came to fifty thousand pieces of silver.

As we might imagine many are getting saved and Luke tell us that many of these new believers who had come out of complete darkness, came confessing and divulging their pagan practices.

This is one of the things we see with **radical repentance**. We see people confessing their sins and telling their deeds and repenting of their sins!

Many came confessing and divulging their sinful lifestyle and sinful behaviors.

Further we are told that a number of these new converts practiced magic (we are talking men and women dabbling in the occult), but they brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all.

Can you imagine what this looked like?

This **radical repentance** led to men and women repenting of and destroying all that was dishonoring to God.

CAN I GET PERSONAL: Has Jesus changed your life like this? Are there things in your life that you renounced for the glory of Jesus?

MAYBE A DIFFERENT QUESTION: Are there things our lives we should renounce right now for the glory of Jesus?

I am not asking about things your friend or neighbor should renounce, I am not talking about legalism. But are there things the Holy Spirit is **RIGHT NOW** calling us to renounce?

Here **radical repentance** is displayed as these men and women **destroyed things** that the Spirit had convinced them needed to be **removed from their lives!**

Someone decided to add up the value of the books that were burned there in Ephesus and Luke records: "they counted the value of them and found it came to fifty thousand pieces of silver."

Because Ephesus was predominantly a Greek city, these silver pieces were probably Greek drachmas or Roman denarii. One author estimates that this would be the equivalent of a single workers wages for 137 years.

In an attempt to convert this to today's money, the average annual salary in the US is \$66,622. If we take that and multiply it by 137 we get: \$9,127,214!

Here is the point, these books had real value, but rather than **selling them** on eBay, Facebook Marketplace or whatever, and **potentially ruining someone else's life**, they **destroyed them** for the glory of Christ!

Vs 20 - So the word of the Lord continued to increase and prevail mightily.

So, the word of the Lord continued to increase and prevail mightily. Now normally I would simply read this and highlight how the word of the Lord Jesus is going out in great power, it is increasing.

Equally, the word of the Lord is prevailing mightily.

Let me ask you a question. What would this have looked like? If you were just a person on the street or a fly on the wall, what would this have looked like for the word of the Lord to increase and prevail mightily?

Lives are being changed. Men and women are turning from their sinful behavior and their sinful lifestyles. Dads and no longer spending time with the cult prostitute, but instead in prayer and with their families. Moms are no longer spending time in their favorite form of sin but instead seeking to know Jesus better and better.

Speaking in Tongues in the Book of Acts

Acts 2 The 12 and/or 120	Acts 2 Jews (3,000)	Acts 8 Samaritans	Acts 10 Gentiles	Acts 19 Disciples of John
They were already believers following Jesus.	Repentance (vs 38)	Faith (vs 5-6)	Faith while Peter is preaching (vs 44)	Faith (vs 5-6) John's message – "believe in the one who was to come"
As best we understand they had all been baptized in water.	Spirit Baptism (vs 38) "repent and you will receive λαμβάνω (lambano) the gift of the Holy Spirit"	Water baptism (vs 12)	Spirit Baptism (vs 44-46) "while Peter is preaching the Holy Spirit fell" "they were hearing them speak in tongues"	Rebaptized in water (vs 5) "on hearing this they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus"
On the evening of resurrection morning, we read this (Joh 20:22): "22 And when he (Jesus) had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, Receive λαμβάνω (lambano) the Holy Spirit."	Water baptism (Vs 41) "those who received ἀποδέχομαι (apodechomai) the word were baptized"	Apostles sent from Jerusalem to Samaria (vs 14-15) "prayed that they might receive λαμβάνω (lambano) the Holy Spirit"	(Vs 45) "And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles."	(vs 6) "And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came ἔρχομαι (erchomai) on them, and"
		Peter and John laid their hands on them (vs 15-17)	Water baptism (vs 47-48)	Spirit Baptism (vs 6) "they begin speaking in tongues"
In (vs 4) "And they were all filled $\pi\lambda\dot{\eta}\theta\omega$ (pletho) with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues"		And they received Spirit Baptism (vs 17) " they received λαμβάνω (lambano) the Holy Spirit"		
The 12 or the 120 spoke in tongues when the Spirit fell at Pentecost.	* No mention of any of the 3,000 speaking in tongues.	Although tongues are not mentioned most scholars believe, by implication, that is the gift that Simon tried to purchase.	These Gentiles, we would assume, were saved as Peter preached, and they spoke in tongues.	These Jews, who were baptized by John, had not heard of Jesus, placed faith in him, received the spirit, and spoke in tongues.