

SALVATION

Does It Matter What We Believe?

Acts 13:4 So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia and from there they sailed to Cyprus. **5** When they reached Salamis, they began to proclaim the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews; and they also had John as their helper. **6** When they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they found a magician (*Acts 8:9*), a Jewish false prophet whose name was Bar-Jesus, **7** who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of intelligence. This man summoned Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. **8** But Elymas the magician (for so his name is translated) was opposing them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. **9** But Saul, who was also known as Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, stared at him, **10** and said, "You who are full of all deceit and fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not stop making crooked the straight ways of the Lord? **11** Now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you will be blind and not see the sun for a time." And immediately a mist and a darkness fell upon him, and he went about seeking those who would lead him by the hand. **12** Then the proconsul believed when he saw what had happened, being amazed at the teaching of the Lord.

Proconsul - civilian governor of a Roman Province

1 John 4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

To the Pharisees & Scribes - **Matthew 23:33** You snakes, you offspring of vipers, how will you escape the sentence of hell?

1 Peter 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

21 The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: