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- C. Self-Sufficiency

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- C. Totally Helpless

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- B. Sincere Confession
- C. Fruit of Righteousness

### 3. What was Simon’s perception of the Holy Spirit?

- A. Simon saw the Holy Spirit as a commodity to be bought and sold
- B. He saw the Holy spirit’s power as something that is subject to man’s control.

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- E. He convicts
- F. He gives gifts for ministry
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