

Who Was Simon of Cyrene?

- Carried the cross of Jesus
- Also called “Simeon” and “Niger” (“dark one”) from North Africa (Acts 13:1)
- Brought two sons, Alexander and Rufus (“Red Hair”) to Jerusalem for Passover (Mark 15:21)
- Rufus and his mother are mentioned in Romans 16:13

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- People from Cyrene were among the first believers (Acts 2:10)
- Believers from Cyrene fled Jerusalem after the stoning of Stephen (Acts 7) and shared their faith in Antioch.