

Acts – Birth of the Church

God Does Not Show Favoritism

Acts 10

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Introduction:

- Acts 9:8-9
 - Acts 9:21
 - Acts 9:27-28
 - Acts 9:31-43
 - Genesis 12:2-3
 - Division causes prejudice.
 - But Jesus removes all barriers.
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1. The Call:

- a. Acts 10:1-6
- b. Witnessing Principle Number Three - *Witnessing works best with people whose hearts are truly seeking God.*
- c. Acts 10:4
- d. Acts 10:30
- e. Two things from Cornelius' Vision:
 - i. Creation showed him there was a Creator – **Romans 1:20**
 - ii. Cornelius probably saw monotheism make more sense and an all-powerful God answered more questions.
- f. **Isaiah 64:6**

2. The Vision:

- a. Acts 10:9-20
- b. God chose the Jewish people to carry the message of the Messiah to a lost world... They were to tell them:
 - i. There was a God.
 - ii. Who He was.
 - iii. To worship Him alone.
- c. Greek – **Ekstasis** (*Ek-Stay-Seas*) ... English – Trance ... “A state of intense amazement, to the point of being beside oneself with astonishment – amazement.”

- d. **Acts 10:14**
- e. **Acts 10:19-20**
- f. Peter's Vision represented:
 - i. The distinction between clean and unclean, was now gone – **1st Timothy 4:1-5**
 - ii. If there is no distinction between clean and unclean animals, what does that mean for Gentiles.- **Romans 3:23**

3. The House:

- a. **Acts 10:24-26**
- b. Notice a couple of things:
 - i. Cornelius –
 - ii. Peter –
- c. **Acts 10:28**
- d. **2nd Peter 3:19**
- e. **Acts 10:33**
- f. **Acts 10:45**
- g. **Acts 2:38**
- h. **Acts 10:47-48**