

God is Not Partial

Peter Opens the Door of the Gospel to the Gentiles

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Acts 10:24-48

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Theme Verse: Acts 1:8 - But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.

MacArthur - "Two worlds are about to collide, as seven devout, orthodox Jews were about to meet a houseful of eager Gentiles. A milestone in the history of the church as been reached."

The Meeting - Acts 10:24-33

1. Cornelius, in anticipation of Peter's arrival, had assembled _____
(God _____ of receivers of the gospel) - v. 24 & 27
2. Cornelius _____ Peter but Peter humbled himself before Cornelius
(the evangelization process is simply _____ witnessing to _____) v. 25-26
3. Peter reminded Cornelius of the _____ between the Jews and the Gentiles but Peter also revealed that God had _____ allowing Peter to come to Cornelius' house
(the evangelization process is _____) - v. 28-29a; Lev.20:25-26; Ephesians 2:11-18
4. Peter's question: What _____? - v. 29b
5. Cornelius related how God had _____ and _____ him to send for Peter
(God will satisfy those who _____) - v. 30-32; Matthew 5:6; Romans 10:13
6. Cornelius' question: What _____? - v. 33

The Message - Acts 10:34-43

1. The Gospel _____ - v. 34-35; Romans 2:28-29
 - a. God does not show _____ to any nation or ethnicity
 - b. God welcomes anyone who _____ and _____
2. The Gospel _____ who is _____ - v. 36-41
 - a. You yourselves (emphatic) know about _____

- b. You know (implied) of Jesus of Nazareth being _____ by God with the Holy Spirit and power and how He _____ that power by healing all those _____ by the devil
 - c. The apostles were witnesses of the _____ of Jesus Christ by _____ - Deut 21:22-23
 - d. The apostles were witnesses of _____
3. The Gospel _____ - v. 42-43
- a. We are held _____ to Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, the _____ John 5:21-29; Daniel 7:13-14
 - b. We can receive _____ through repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ Isaiah 53:11; Jeremiah 31:33-34

The Miracle - Acts 10:44-48

1. The _____ of the Holy Spirit was _____ upon the _____ evidenced by their _____ just like had done with the _____ - Acts 11:15
2. No one could _____ and so they were _____ as a testimony of their _____ - Acts 11:17
3. Christian Jews and Christian Gentiles can together enjoy _____ being united in _____

Implications

Ephesians 2:13-16 - But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, by abolishing in His flesh the enmity, which is the Law of commandments contained in ordinances, so that in Himself He might make the two into one new man, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity.

God is not partial, therefore, we can be confident that:

1. God is preparing hearts in _____ to receive the Gospel of peace through the Lord Jesus Christ
2. God is preparing our hearts to share the Gospel with _____
3. God will _____ each of the Divine Appointments in which we are privileged to participate