

Study of Acts

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Review

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Author: Luke
 Date Written: A.D. 61
 Key Word: Witness
 Key Verse: 1:8

| Acts of Peter | | | | | | | | | | Acts of Paul | | | | | | | | | |
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| Church Is Born | Church Grows Through Testing | Church Is Scattered | Church Embraces Gentiles | Church Extends Overseas | Church's Leader on Trial | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A.D. 30 | 30 | 33 | 37 | 47 | 49 | 52 | 56 | 61 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Paul in Acts | Paul the Persecutor | Paul Saved | Paul Instructed | Paul in Arabia | Paul's First Journey | Paul's Second Journey | Paul's Third Journey | Paul the Missionary | Paul the Prisoner | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jerusalem | Judea & Samaria | Transition | Ufhermost Parts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jewish Period | Peter | Philip — Barnabas — Peter — Paul | P A U L | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Church Established | Church Scattered | Church Extended | Rome | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jerusalem Old Testament Heritage | Jewish Period | Gentile World | Universal Gospel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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Acts 10:1-4 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of what was called the Italian Regiment, ² a devout *man* and one who feared God with all his household, who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed to God always. ³ About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God coming in and saying to him, "Cornelius!" ⁴ And when he observed him, he was afraid, and said, "What is it, lord?" So he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have come up for a memorial before God.

- What do we know of Caesarea?
- What do we know about Cornelius?
- What are the three types of Gentile?
- Why did Cornelius need to wait for Peter as opposed to being instructed by the angel?

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Acts 10:5-8 ⁵ Now send men to Joppa, and send for Simon whose surname is Peter. ⁶ He is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea. He will tell you what you must do." ⁷ And when the angel who spoke to him had departed, Cornelius called two of his household servants and a devout soldier from among those who waited on him continually. ⁸ So when he had explained all these things to them, he sent them to Joppa.

- How specific was this vision?
- How long was Peter at Simon's house?
- Paul was the primary missionary to the Gentiles so why launch this ministry through Peter?

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Acts 10:9-16 ⁹ The next day, as they went on their journey and drew near the city, Peter went up on the housetop to pray, about the sixth hour. ¹⁰ Then he became very hungry and wanted to eat, but while they made ready, he fell into a trance ¹¹ and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth. ¹² In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air. ¹³ And a voice came to him, "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." ¹⁴ But Peter said, "Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean." ¹⁵ And a voice spoke to him again the second time, "What God has cleansed, you must not call common." ¹⁶ This was done three times. And the object was taken up into heaven again.

- How was Peter's first response typical?
- What is the specific purpose of this vision?
- How did the Jews justify their prejudice?
- What is the meaning of common here in relation to eating?
- Why did God make clean and unclean animals?
- What does the tarp symbolize?

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Acts 10:17-20 ¹⁷ Now while Peter wondered within himself what this vision which he had seen meant, behold, the men who had been sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate. ¹⁸ And they called and asked whether Simon, whose surname was Peter, was lodging there. ¹⁹ While Peter thought about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Behold, three men are seeking you. ²⁰ Arise therefore, go down and go with them, doubting nothing; for I have sent them."

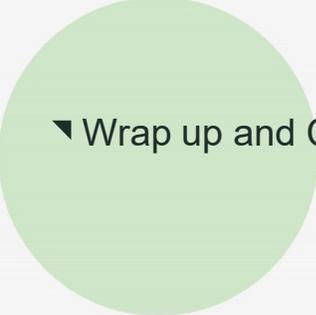
- Who was Peter expecting to come for him?
- What are the odds that the entourage would arrive at the precise moment that Peter's vision ended?

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Acts 10:21-23 ²¹ Then Peter went down to the men who had been sent to him from Cornelius, and said, "Yes, I am he whom you seek. For what reason have you come?" ²² And they said, "Cornelius the centurion, a just man, one who fears God and has a good reputation among all the nation of the Jews, was divinely instructed by a holy angel to summon you to his house, and to hear words from you." ²³ Then he invited them in and lodged them. On the next day Peter went away with them, and some brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

- What does Peter's lodging the delegation tell us?
- What is the composition of those staying in this house?
- Was Peter instructed to take a group of men from Joppa with him in the vision?
- When was Joppa showcased one other time in the Bible?
- How does God prepare the hearts to hear His message?
- Does God speak to people today, is there a real need for God to speak today?

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◀ Wrap up and Closing Prayer

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