



Acts 10-11: Little Christs

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“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8

“The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch”

Christian: of the party of Christ or these Christ-folk

Acts 10 - The Story of Cornelius, Peter and Gentile Salvation

Acts 11 – The Story of the Confirmation of Gentile Salvation/The Church at Antioch

4 Lessons to Learn from Acts 10-11

- Closeness to God produces the **clear guidance** of God.

“Cornelius and his family were devout and God-fearing; he gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly. One day at three in the afternoon he had a vision....” Acts 10:1-8

“About noon the following day...Peter went up on the roof to pray...He fell into a trance and saw heaven opened...then a voice told him...the Spirit said to him...” Acts 10:9-23

- Closeness to God produces the **accepting heart** of God.

“The men replied, “We have come from Cornelius...Then Peter invited them into the house to be his guests...Peter said “You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with a Gentile or visit him. But God has shown me that I should not call any man impure or unclean...I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts men from every nation who fear Him...” Acts 10:23-48; 11:1-18

- Closeness to God produces the **powerful presence** of God.

“While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles for they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.” Acts 10:44-48

- Closeness to God produces the **wise discernment** of God.

“The news of this reached the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts...Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul and brought him to Antioch. For a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.”

Acts 11:22-26