SERMON NOTES

Prayer and the Transformation of True Community

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Acts 8-10

1. God and only God is the transformer.

"They dragged him out of the city and began to stone him...on that day a great persecution broke out...Those who were scattered preached the word wherever they went...Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip...Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples...In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias...At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius...About noon the following day, Peter went up on the roof to pray..."

2. Make a habit of the little things and God will transform the little things into big things.

"Cornelius and all his family were devout and God-fearing; he gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly...About noon the following day...Peter went up on the roof to pray..."

3. God will transform in His timing.

"An angel of the Lord appeared...suddenly a light from heaven...The Lord said to Ananias in a vision...One day Cornelius had a vision...about noon the following day, Peter..."

- 4. While God is transforming, He asks us to do one thing: follow.
- Saul "Who are you, Lord?"
- Ananias "Yes, Lord."
- Cornelius "What is it, Lord?"
- Peter "Surely not, Lord!"

"They who dance are thought mad by those who hear not the music." Author Unknown

- 1. What is the loudest voice in your head right now?
- 2. Are you practicing the little things of the spirit?
- 3. What is God saying that you know you need to follow?