

God Is No Respector of Persons

Introduction: "National and religious distinctions were to be dissolved, and all true believers in the Lord Jesus would be on the same level in the Christian \_\_\_\_\_" (MacDonald).

- I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Cornelius (Acts 10:1-8)
- A. Cornelius was a man of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. He is an example of one who was \_\_\_\_\_ truth.
  - C. God will always \_\_\_\_\_ to those that seek truth.
  - D. The angel was not sent to preach the gospel to Cornelius—that is a job God has exclusively reserved for His \_\_\_\_\_.
  - E. Cornelius was a moral man, but he still needed to be \_\_\_\_\_--knowing about God and being moral is not enough—people must hear of Christ.
- II. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Peter (Acts 10:9-20)
- A. Peter was a man of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. It was his habit to have \_\_\_\_\_ prayer times set aside each day (Ps. 55:17; Dan. 6:10).
  - C. He was sure to seek a place of \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 91:1; Matt. 6:6).
  - D. God \_\_\_\_\_ to us when we are in the spirit of prayer.
  - E. Peter needed to be \_\_\_\_\_ for the mission God was going to give him.
  - F. The Old Testament food and Gentile restrictions were \_\_\_\_\_ away with in Christ (Eph. 2:11-19).
  - G. Yielding to the Holy Spirit is the first key in \_\_\_\_\_ to others.
- III. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Cornelius (Acts 10:21-48)
- A. Cornelius was \_\_\_\_\_ and waiting to hear God's message.
  - B. He had much to \_\_\_\_\_ about spiritual things.
  - C. Peter would not receive \_\_\_\_\_, but rightfully directed it to the Lord.
  - D. Following God's will may place you in \_\_\_\_\_ situations.
  - E. God will send more \_\_\_\_\_ to those that respond to the light He has already given them (Ro. 1:20).
  - F. Peter and the Jews now realized the far-reaching \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel.
  - G. "For God so loved the \_\_\_\_\_" (John 3:16).
  - H. Nobody is restricted from coming to Christ because of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - I. Peter shared the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus with this Gentile home.
  - J. "Be \_\_\_\_\_ always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you" (1 Pe. 3:15).
  - K. It is the preaching, hearing, and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Word that brings salvation.

Conclusion: "These Gentiles had been saved in the same way as the Jews—simple faith. There was no suggestion of law-keeping, circumcision, or any other ordinance or ritual" (MacDonald).