

THE GOSPEL IS ALSO FOR THE GENTILES

Introduction: The gospel was given to the Jews first, but these chapters show that God will listen to the prayers of Gentiles that fear Him and will give them the gospel as well.

Lesson Aim: God will listen to all people that fear Him, so we must give the gospel to those people..

Memory Verse: Peter said, "Of a truth, I perceive that God is no respecter of persons" (Acts 10:34).

Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer:

I. Conversion of Cornelius — 10:1-11:18

A. Cornelius' Vision of the Angel — 10:1-8

1. Describe the character of Cornelius. 10:2
2. Of what value were Cornelius' good works? 10:4, 31
3. What did the angel tell Cornelius to do? 10:5-6; 11:13-14
4. What did Cornelius do? 10:7-8

B. Peter's Vision of the Animals — 10:9-16

5. How did God prepare Peter to preach to the Gentiles? 10:9-16

C. Peter's Introduction to Cornelius — 10:17-33

6. How was Peter sure he was to speak in Cornelius' house? 10:19-20, 22
7. How did Cornelius greet Peter? 10:25
8. What did Peter tell the people when he went into Cornelius' house? 10:27-29

D. Peter's Message on Salvation — 10:34-43

9. What was the most important part of Peter's message? 10:39-43

E. The Gentiles' Reception of the Holy Spirit — 10:44-48

10. What astonished Peter and his six Jewish friends? 10:44-46
11. What were the steps that preceded the Gentiles' baptism in water? 10:33-48; 11:15-16
They wanted to h_____ God's word; they b_____ God's word; received the _____ of the Spirit; they were baptized in water.

II. Charge against Peter — 11:1-18

12. What problem did the believers in Jerusalem have with Peter? 11:2-3
13. What did Peter tell them that resolved their problem with him? 11:15-18

III. Church in Antioch — 11:19-30

14. Why did Barnabas go to Antioch? 11:22
15. Why did Saul go to Antioch? 11:25-26
16. Why did Barnabas and Saul go to Jerusalem? 11:28-30

IV. Custody of Peter — 12:1-19

17. What happened to Peter when Herod put him in prison? 12:7-11
18. What was missing in the prayers of those in John Mark's house? 12:12-16

V. Collapse of Herod — 12:20-25

19. Why did Herod die? 12:22-23
20. When Barnabas and Saul returned to Antioch, who did they bring with them? 12:25