

# **Small Group Study Questions**

Week 17

### Acts 9:32-43 (NASB 1995)

**32** Now as Peter was traveling through all *those regions*, he came down also to the saints who lived at Lydda. **33** There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years, for he was paralyzed. **34** Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed." Immediately he got up. **35** And all who lived at Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord.

**36** Now in Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which translated *in Greek* is called Dorcas); this woman was abounding with deeds of kindness and charity which she continually did. **37** And it happened at that time that she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her body, they laid it in an upper room. **38** Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, having heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him, imploring him, "Do not delay in coming to us." **39** So Peter arose and went with them. When he arrived, they brought him into the upper room; and all the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing all the tunics and garments that Dorcas used to make while she was with them. **40** But Peter sent them all out and knelt down and prayed, and turning to the body, he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up. **41** And he gave her his hand and raised her up; and calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive. **42** It became known all over Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. **43** And Peter stayed many days in Joppa with a tanner *named* Simon.

## **DIGGING DEEPER**

What's the most attractive thing about our church? What is the most attractive thing about Christianity as a whole?

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Is what you've answered supposed to be the most attractive thing?
Read Acts 9:32-35 Who does Peter attribute the healing to?
Out of all of the miracles and healings we've seen in Acts, which one is the most impressive to you?
What is the purpose of these signs and wonders?
Read Acts 9:36-39  Do you have a Tabitha in your life who is "abounding with deeds of kindness and charity"? Who is it?
Was Peter brought to heal her, or just for the "memorial"?

#### **DIGGING DEEPER**

#### Read Acts 9:40-43

Why do you think Peter sent everyone out of the room?

What's the common result to all of the signs and wonders?

How can we as Christians today show the world Christ? (Hint: John 13:35) How are we doing at this?

## **CHURCH PRAYER REQUEST**

## Thanksgiving - Thanking God for all the wonderful things he has done

- For the individuals following in obedience through believers baptism this week
- For the families who dedicated their children to the Lord last week

# Supplication - Bringing requests to God and in all things praying that God's will be done

#### **Pastor**

- Worship Pastor Rob, Kristin, Skyler, Riley, Ava and Wyatt Coblentz
- Pray for a clear vision for leading our congregation in worship
- Pray for the wisdom and knowledge of the technological upgrades
- Pray for strength to endure the enemy's attacks

## Ministry Spotlight

- GC Students Ministry
  - Pray that the Biblical message will be clearly taught and caught
  - Pray for the upcoming Winter Camp happening in January
  - Pray for more women to step up and serve in this area