LIFE GROUPS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

CONTEXT: Peter was probably the most famous of the original twelve disciples of Jesus. He was a man who had highs (Matthew 16:13-20; John 21:1-19; Acts 214-41) and lows (Matthew 16:21-23 & 26:31-45; Luke 22:54-62). Peter declared Jesus as the Messiah, rebuked Jesus for saying he was going to die on a cross, fell asleep while Jesus was praying before Jesus was arrested, denied Christ three times, then preached and 3,000 came to faith in Christ. The Lord grew Peter to be a consistent proclaimer of the gospel to the point that history tells us Peter was crucified upside-down for his faith. As God used Peter, God can use us as we consistently live out the gospel in word and deed.



The Vision

Acts 10

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- 1. Who is the most dependable person you know? What makes them so dependable?
- 2. Who has let you down the most in your life? How did that person's lack of consistency impact your life? How has your lack of consistency negatively impacted the lives of others?
- 3. Read Acts 10:1-8. How consistent does it appear Cornelius was? What fruit did Cornelius bear through his consistency?
- 4. Read Acts 10:9-19. Describe how Peter must have felt about what the Lord told him.
- 5. Imagine that God told you it is okay to steal or get drunk. It would likely be against all you have been taught your whole life. How does the Lord telling Peter to go to the home of a non-Jew go against all that Peter was taught his whole life?
- 6. Read Acts 10:24-29. How do Peter's actions speak of his consistency?
- 7. Read Acts 10:34-43 silently. What message did Peter proclaim?
- 8. Read Acts 10:44-48. What was so shocking for the "circumcised believers" (verse 45)?
- 9. What "church growth" plan did Peter use to grow the church? What does this account of Peter and Cornelius teach the church today?
- 10. How does the faithfulness of the Lord bring peace to your life? How can you be a Christ-like example of faithfulness in order to impart peace in your world?
- 11. What area of your life do you struggle with consistency the most? To whom will you be accountable in this area of your life?

