

ACTS - FROM RESURRECTION TO REVELATION

Lesson 17

Review: *We come to the third of three amazing conversions that represent the scope and wisdom of God for the Gospel.*

- 1) Ham's descendants - the wealthy and powerful Ethiopian eunuch by Philip
- 2) Shem's descendants - Saul, the educated and religious Jew by Jesus Himself
- 3) Japheth's descendant's - Cornelius, the good, kind, and devout Roman

I. Why Such A Great Man Would Need To Send For Peter? - Acts 10:1-8

- A) He had great DEVOTION to God, but was lost - vs. 1-2a
- B) He had great REVERENCE for God, but was lost - vs. 2b
- C) He had great INFLUENCE for God, but was lost - vs. 2c
- D) He had great DISCIPLINES for God, but was lost - vs. 2d
- E) He had great EXPERIENCES from God, but was lost - vs. 3
- D) He had great INTEGRITY towards people, but was lost - vs. 22
- E) He had a great REPUTATION with people, but was lost - vs. 22

II. Why Would Peter Need To Be The One To Go? - Acts 10:9-22

A) Wasn't the ANGEL already there? - *Certainly!*

- 1) They are not always TRUE - Gal. 1:6-9 / 2 Cor. 11:13-15
- 2) They are not God's MEANS - 2 Cor. 5:14-20
- 3) They are not God's METHODS - 1 Cor. 1:18-25

B) Wasn't PAUL (SAUL) already there? - *Possibly!*

- 1) He was commissioned to the GENTILES - Acts 9:15
- 2) He was a citizen of and an expert of all things ROMAN
- 3) He best understood the futility of man's RIGHTEOUSNESS

C) Wasn't PHILIP (EVANG.) already there? - *Probably!* - Acts 8:40

- 1) He has already demonstrated his WILLINGNESS
- 2) He had already demonstrated his OPENNESS
- 3) He had already demonstrated his EFFECTIVENESS