

8. Have any assumptions or misconceptions ever kept you from sharing the gospel with someone? How does this story challenge the judgments we make about those outside the kingdom?



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Notes:

9. What are some of the excuses we make when we are challenged to cross a barrier with the gospel?



10. Acts 10 & 11 show believers using both natural and unexpected connections with people to share the gospel. Who do you have a connection with that needs to hear the gospel?

11. Are there any behaviors or attitudes in your life that need to change due to the reality that God wants to reach all nations and people groups with the gospel of Jesus?

1.	God's	_ is that All of Humanity be Saved
2.	Religious Activities Do Not Only Jesus Can Do That	Provide with God
3.	May Arra Sound of the Gospel	ange Details to Get Us Under the
4.	We Must	God and Trust Him with the Details



BIG IDEA OF SUNDAY'S SERMON

Our love for God and for others should motivate us to take the gospel anywhere and everywhere.

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH

*Think back to your childhood. What is something that was taboo, unacceptable, or off-limits for you or your family? (I.e.- behaviors at the table, places to go, things you were allowed to watch, etc.) How do you view these things now? Why?

4. How did the visions received by Peter and Cornelius prepare them for their meeting? What details stand out to you? Why is each of them important?

5. Cornelius is portrayed in a very positive light, yet he still needed Jesus. What does this say about those who make claims to know and follow God? How can you help these individuals understand their need for Jesus in spite of their claims?

HEAD

Read Acts 10:1-11:18

1. From the text itself, what did you hear/learn that you did not know before this weekend?

6. How does the conversion of Cornelius and the way God orchestrated it fit with the process given in Acts 1:8? Imagine that Peter did not obey the Lord's instructions. How would it impact the future of the New Testament church?

2. What do you think God was doing in Peter through his stay with Simon the Tanner? Can you think of a time when God was preparing you for a task and you did not realize it until after the fact?

7. In chapter 11, Peter responded in a calm and orderly fashion when wrongly accused and focused on the facts. What principles can you follow for communicating in a God-honoring way?

3. Who was Cornelius? What do we learn about him from the opening 2 verses of chapter 10? How is he different from Peter? How are they alike?