

THE SALVATION AND ADDITION OF THE GENTILES TO THE CHURCH **(Acts 10:1-48)**

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1. The Preparation of Cornelius to Hear the Gospel (10:1-8)

a. In _____, God was preparing a Gentile named Cornelius to hear the gospel—a man who was a Roman _____ and who _____. (vv. 1-2)

- *Who else was in this city & why is this significant? (Acts 8:40; 15:7; 21:8)*
- *How did other centurions respond to Jesus Christ? (Mark 15:39; Luke 7:1-10; 23:47)*
- *What would Cornelius have already known or understood spiritually?*

b. God sent an _____ to greet Cornelius and give him specific instructions to meet _____, who would share the gospel with Cornelius so he and all those Gentiles with him could be _____. (vv. 3-8; 11:14)

- *Does God hear the prayers of the unsaved? (Acts 10:31; Prov. 28:9)*
- *What does the example of Cornelius say about the Calvinist teaching of total depravity?*
- *What does the example of Cornelius say about those who've never heard the gospel? (Isa. 45:22; Rom. 1:14-20; 1 Tim. 2:4)*

2. The Preparation of Peter to Accept the Gentiles (10:9-22)

a. The Lord instructed Peter ___ times in a vision not to regard the Gentiles as _____. (vv. 9-16)

b. The meeting of Peter and the messengers from Cornelius was divinely arranged by the _____. (vv. 17-22)

- *What does this say about how the Lord directs us in evangelism?*

3. The Meeting of Peter and the Gentiles (10:23-33)

a. In preparation for Peter's arrival, Cornelius had gathered _____ of his relatives and close friends with great expectation. (vv. 23-27)

- *Why did Cornelius fall down to worship Peter?* (cf. Acts 14:11-12; 28:6; Rev. 22:8-9)

b. Peter's audience all knew one thing, that _____ had brought them together for this moment. (vv. 28-33)

4. The Proclamation of the Gospel to the Gentiles (10:34-43)

a. Peter realized that God does not _____ on the basis of nationality but _____, _____, or is _____ (*dektos*) with all who fear Him and work righteousness. (vv. 34-35)

- *What is the contextual meaning of the statement "He is Lord of all"?*

b. Peter reviewed the _____ of the _____ with these Gentiles from northern Israel, which was a message they _____. (vv. 36-38; cf. Matt. 3:16; 4:23-24; Mark 1:9, 14-15, 28, 34; Luke 3:21-22; 4:40-44)

c. Peter then shared the _____ of _____ with them, which they did not yet know but needed for their salvation. (vv. 39-43; cf. 11:14)

- *What is the content of Peter's evangelistic message in vv. 39-43?*

5. The Salvation and Addition of the Gentiles to the Church (10:44-48)

a. The Gentiles responded to Peter's message by _____ (15:7-11), resulting in them being saved and baptized by the Holy Spirit into Christ and the _____. (vv. 44-45)

- *What does this say about water baptism and the requirement for salvation?*

- *Why did the Gentiles speak in tongues here?* (v. 46)

b. Peter _____ these new Gentile believers to be water baptized in the _____ of the _____ (cf. 2:38; 8:16; 19:5), as a _____ of Holy Spirit-baptism into Christ and identification with Him. (vv. 47-48)

Matthew 3-4	Mark 1	Luke 3-4	Acts 10
<p><i>“teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel [euangelion] of the kingdom” (4:23)</i></p>	<p><i>“preaching the gospel [euangelion] of the kingdom of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel [euangelion].” (1:14-15)</i></p>	<p><i>“to preach the gospel [euangelizomai] to the poor” (4:18)</i></p> <p><i>“I must preach [euangelizō] the kingdom of God to the other cities also... And He was preaching in the synagogues” (4:43-44)</i></p>	<p><i>“The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching [euangelizomai] peace through Jesus Christ...” (10:36)</i></p>
<p><i>“Then His fame went throughout all Syria” (4:24)</i></p>	<p><i>“His fame spread throughout all the region” (1:28)</i></p>	<p><i>“the report about Him went into every place in the surrounding region” (4:14, 37)</i></p>	<p><i>“...that word you know...” (10:37)</i></p>
<p><i>“Jesus went about all Galilee” (4:12, 23)</i></p>	<p><i>“Jesus came to Galilee” (1:14)</i></p>	<p><i>“Jesus returned . . . to Galilee” (4:14)</i></p>	<p><i>“...which...began from Galilee after...” (10:37)</i></p>
<p><i>“In those days John the Baptist came preaching” (3:1)</i></p>	<p><i>“John came baptizing . . . and preaching a baptism of repentance” (1:3)</i></p>	<p><i>“John the son of Zacharias...went . . . preaching a baptism of repentance” (3:3)</i></p>	<p><i>“... the baptism which John preached...” (10:37)</i></p>
<p><i>“the heavens were opened . . . and He saw the Spirit of God descending...upon Him” (3:16)</i></p>	<p><i>“He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him” (1:9)</i></p>	<p><i>“the heaven was opened . . . and the Holy Spirit descended . . . upon Him” (3:21b-22)</i></p>	<p><i>“...how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power...” (10:38)</i></p>
<p><i>“those who were demon-possessed . . . and He healed them” (4:24)</i></p>	<p><i>“He healed many . . . and cast out many demons” (1:34)</i></p>	<p><i>“He . . . healed them. And demons also came out of many” (4:40-41)</i></p>	<p><i>“...who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil” (10:38)</i></p>