The Church of the Open Door

Acts 10:33-48

Acts: The Real Church

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Note the foundational truths of the church of the open door:

- 1. God is **impartial** to all 34-35.
 - a) God is impartial impartial means "<u>no lifting of the face</u>".
 - b) God is **welcoming** to those that fear him and do good (right).
- 2. Jesus is **Lord** of all v.36
- 3. The gospel is **needed** by all v.36-42
 - a) Jesus brought **peace** to the world v.36-37.
 - b) Jesus demonstrated **power** to the world v.38-39a
 - c) Jesus gave his <u>life</u> for the world 39b-41.
 - d) God **raised** Jesus to give life to the world (v.40-41)
- 4. Jesus will be the **Judge** of all. V.42
- 5. Jesus offers **forgiveness** to all who believe. (v.43)
 - a) Everyone must recognize his **authority** (name)
 - b) Everyone can **believe** in Him (gentiles too)
 - c) Everyone can be **forgiven**.
- 6. The Church must **receive** all who believe. (v.44-48)
 - a) The Holy Spirit baptism came because **they believed**. (v.44-46).
 - b) Water baptism was commanded because they **must be received** into the Christian Community (v.47-48)

Have you heard the good news? Jesus died for **everyone** and will forgive **anyone** who comes to him in faith.