Conversion Of Cornelius

Acts 10; 11; 15



The Account

Cornelius

Peter

The Message

Acts 2:39

"For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."



The Account

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The Message

Ephesians 2:17

And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near.



The Miracle

Comparing Acts 10:44-46 With Acts 2

- Both "Opened Doors" (2:17)
- Both Involved Speaking In Tongues (2:4)
- Both Created Amazement (2:7)



The Miracle

Both Served A Primary Purpose

- Not To Save (11:14)
- Not To Enable Belief (15:7)
- Not To Purify Hearts (15:9)
- Not To Give Remission Of Sins (10:43)



The Miracle

Acts 15:7-9

And when there had been much dispute, Peter rose up and said to them: "Men and brethren, you know that a good while ago God chose among us, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. So God, who knows the heart, acknowledged them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as He did to us, and made no distinction between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.



The Message For All

- There's A DIfference Between Being Good & Being Saved
- It Takes More Than Being A Devoted Religious Person (Matthew 7:21-23)
- God Is Not A "Face Looker" (Matthew 28:19-20; 11:28; 1 Timothy 1:15; 2:3-4; Galatians 3:26-29)
- You Can Be Saved The Same Way!
 - He Heard (Acts 10:33; 11:14)
 - He Believed (Acts 10:43)
 - He Repented (Acts 11:18)
 - He Was Baptized (Acts 10:47-48; 2:38)



Do You Share The Attitude Of Cornelius?