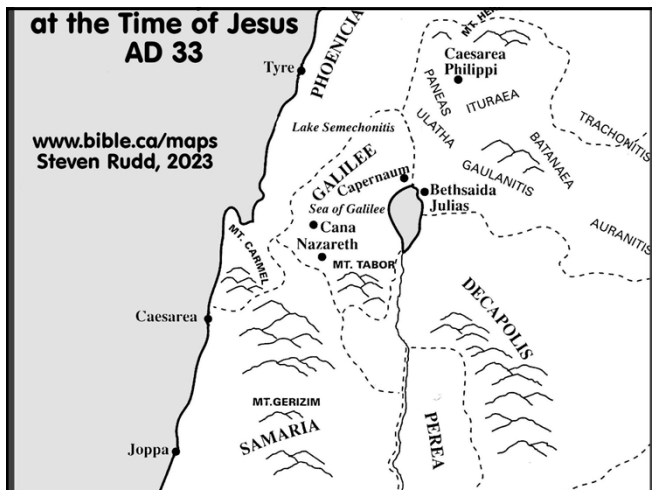
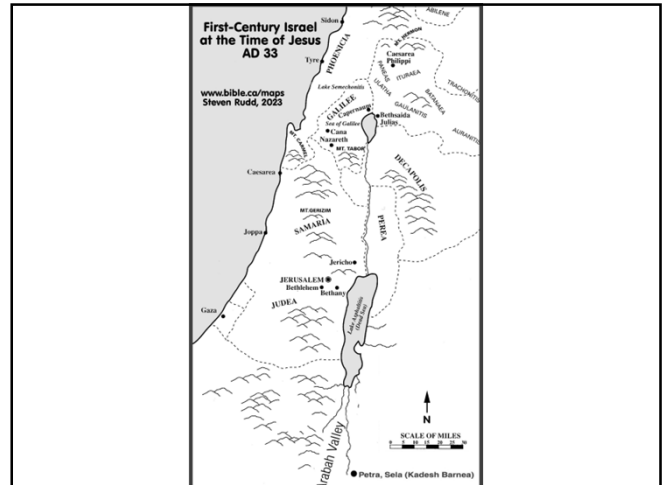


CALL NO MAN UNHOLY OR UNCLEAN

Acts 10



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“Opening his mouth, Peter said: ‘I most certainly understand now that God is not one to show partiality, but in every nation the man who fears Him and does what is right is welcome to Him.’”
(Acts 10:34-35)

Lessons On Prejudice

The Gospel is universal.

- ▣ Peter should have already understood this principle.
 - Prophecies. **Isaiah 2:2-4; Joel 2:32a;** cf. **Acts 2:21**
 - Christ’s personal ministry. **John 10:16;** cf. **Ephesians 2:14-16**
 - Great Commission. **Matthew 28:18-20;** **Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:45-47**
 - Part of Christ’s last message to the apostles. **Acts 1:8 (compare to Matthew 10:5-6)**
 - Peter had understood it before. **Acts 2:39**

The Gospel is universal.

- ▣ All the apostles should have already understood this for the same reasons.
- ▣ YET, they challenged Peter.
Acts 11:1-18
- ▣ LATER, Peter succumbed to peer pressure and was reproved by Paul.
Galatians 2:11-13

The Gospel is universal.

- ▣ In Christ we are not to make distinctions among people.
Galatians 3:28
- ▣ Christ died to remove barriers.
Ephesians 2:11-15
- ▣ Paul taught against such distinctions. **Philippians 3:2-8**
- ▣ James taught no social distinctions.
James 2:1-5

Lessons on Conversion

Characteristics of Cornelius Acts 10

- ▣ Centurion ... military officer. **Verse 1**
- ▣ "Devout" **Verse 2**
- ▣ Had a reverent family.
Verse 2
- ▣ Charitable. "gave alms"
Verse 2
- ▣ Prayed always. **Verse 2**
- ▣ Well spoken of. **Verse 22**



- ▣ Outstanding character.
- ▣ Religious. **Acts 10:2**
- ▣ Desired to know.
Acts 10:33
 - Morality cannot remove sin.
 - However, morality is necessary.
Ephesians 5:3-11;
1 Peter 2:11-12



Miracle #1

- ▣ Angel appeared to Cornelius.
Acts 10:3-8
 - Cornelius praying. cf. **1 Peter 3:12**
 - ▣ Memorial
cf. **Genesis 3:15; 12:1-3; 22:18**
 - Told Cornelius what to do. **Acts 10:5**
 - ▣ **Acts 11:13-14; Titus 3:5**

Miracle #2

- ▣ Peter's vision.
 - Men on way to Joppa. **Verses 7-8**
 - Had previously preached only to Jews. But the vision and the Voice, 3 times in-a-row, was convincing. **Verses 9-16**

Miracle # 3

- ▣ The Spirit assists in same matter. **Verses 19-20**
- ▣ Peter goes with six brethren. **Verse 23; Acts 11:12**

- ▣ Meeting at home of Cornelius.
 - Peter refuses to be worshipped. **Verses 25-26**
 - Cornelius relates his experience. **Verses 30-32**
 - Many present "to hear all that you have been commanded." **Verse 33**

▣ Peter's sermon. **Verses 34-43**

1. No partiality with God.
 - ▣ Must fear God. cf. **Ecclesiastes 12:13; Hebrews 10:31; Romans 11:22; 2 Corinthians 5:11**
 - "Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king." (1 Peter 2:17)*
 - ▣ Work righteousness.
 - "Let my tongue sing of Your word, for all Your commandments are righteousness." (Psalm 119:172) cf. Romans 10:1-10*

▣ Peter's sermon. **Verses 34-43**

2. Salvation through Christ. **Verses 36-43**
 - ▣ Anointed. cf. **John 1:32-34**
 - ▣ Killed. cf. **Acts 2:36; 3:13-15; 4:10; 5:29**
 - ▣ Raised. **1 Corinthians 15:3-4**
 - ▣ Judge. **Acts 17:30-31**
 - ▣ Fulfilled the prophecies. **Luke 24:44**
 - ▣ Offers remission. **Acts 2:38; 13:38**

▣ Peter's sermon. **Verses 34-43**

3. What man must do.
 - ▣ Hear words. **Acts 10:22; 11:13-14**
 - ▣ Believe in Christ. cf. **Acts 10:43**
 - ▣ Repent. **Acts 11:18**
 - ▣ Be baptized. **Acts 10:48**

Miracle # 4

- ▣ Holy Spirit fell upon them.
Acts 10:44; 11:15
 - Not to save. **Acts 11:13-14**
 - Not to give faith. **Acts 15:7**
 - Not to purify heart. **Acts 15:9; Romans 10:17**
 - Not to give remission. **Acts 10:43**
 - Not to purify soul. **1 Peter 1:22**
 - Not to sanctify. **John 17:17**

Miracle # 4

- ▣ Holy Spirit fell upon them.
Acts 10:44; 11:15
 - To convince Jewish brethren.
Acts 10:44-47
 - Others at Jerusalem. **Acts 11:15-18**

- ▣ Peter's sermon to Cornelius is the same sermon to all.

Verses 34-43

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Cornelius: Lost Moral Man

Acts 10:1-2, 22; 11:14

- ▣ Remedy:
Obey the gospel *and* live righteously.
Acts 10:43, 33-35, 48; 11:14, 18



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God's Plan of Salvation

HEAR THE WORD

James 1:21-22; Romans 10:17

BELIEVE IN JESUS

Romans 1:16; Hebrews 11:6

REPENT OF SINS

Acts 17:30-31; Luke 13:3

CONFESS HIS NAME

Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

BE BAPTIZED FOR FORGIVENESS

Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16

REMAIN OBEDIENT

Hebrews 5:9; 1 Corinthians 15:58