

STUDY GUIDE

Acts 10:1-33

“The Gospel Message for All”

- 1) Cornelius was a centurion who was a devout man who feared God. Why is this truth so remarkable?

- 2) What does a God-fearer look like in our culture?

What makes it difficult for people to be devout, God-fearers today?

- 3) Jewish dietary laws used to be boundary markers between God’s people and others. What are some of the boundary markers you see today?

- 4) Do you find it difficult to believe that God would save certain people? Why or why not?

- 5) Have you noticed barriers in your own view of others that makes it difficult for you to share the Gospel with them?

How do you seek to battle such perceptions?

- 6) If we were consistently aware of the natural sinful state of every person, how would that affect us in this area?

How should this shape the way we view the work of Jesus on the cross?

- 7) We see examples of obedience from Cornelius and Peter in this passage. How does this passage encourage us to obey in living out the truth that the Gospel is for everyone?

- 8) How do you desire to grow in accordance with our mission statement to “passionately proclaim the glory of God in Christ for the joy of *all people*?”

And he said to them, “You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation, but God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean.”

- Acts 10:28