

Bible Study 8 - The conversion of Cornelius - Acts 9:32-11:18

The book of Acts has three sections (Acts 1:8b):

- The church in “Jerusalem” (Acts 1-7)
- The church in “Judea and Samaria” (Acts 8:1 – 9:31) – This study
- The church in “the ends of the earth” (Acts 9:32 – 28:31)

PART 1 Read Acts 9:32 - 11:18

Aeneas and Dorcas (9:32-43)	Why were there miracles at this time (Jn. 20:30-31; Heb. 2:3-4; 2 Cor. 12:12)?
Cornelius (a Gentile) calls Peter (10:1-8)	How did God prepare Cornelius?
Peter’s vision (10:9-23)	How did God prepare Peter?
Gentiles receive the gospel (10:24-48)	How were they converted (v.43)?
Peter’s explanation (11:1-18)	Why were they amazed (v.18)?

PART 2 Things I discovered in this passage

1. What I learnt about God the Father, Jesus Christ or the Holy Spirit.

2. Summarise the key verse(s) in your own words.

3. Which other parts of the passage caught your attention?

4. What did you learn about relationships between different cultures and races? Do you see this in your church?

5. Which parts of the passage were difficult to understand? What questions come to your mind?

6. What personal applications can you make to your life? How has your life changed?

