



# #19 A World-Changing Vision

## *Acts 10:1-48 (NIV)*

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### **PREPARATION: Acts 1-9**

- Cornelius and Peter were both **PRAYING** when God gave them a vision.
- The Holy Spirit is **DIRECTING** the spread of the Gospel.
  - It seems it is harder to prepare the one who is going to **WITNESS** than it is to prepare the one who is going to **HEAR**.

### **The Vision: Acts 9-20**

- The sheet lowered by its four corners from heaven may represent the four corners for the **EARTH**.
- The sheet may be more like a net that gathers **BELIEVERS** into the kingdom.
- More than just Jesus' teaching; **Mark 7:17-20 (NIV)** "all foods clean"
- All people **NEED TO HEAR** the Gospel; we cannot pick and choose.

**Galations 3:28 (NIV)** *There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

### **Action: Acts 21-48**

- There are people **KNOCKING** at the gate.
- We must go out even to those we formerly **DISDAINED**.
- Peter shares the Gospel in Vs 39, 40 and 43
  - Jesus **DIED** (that we may have life)
  - God **RAISED** Him from the dead on the third day
  - Everyone who **BELIEVES** in Him receives forgiveness of sin through His name
- People are saved only **AFTER** hearing the Gospel
- This is the message we **MUST SHARE**, no matter what else we may do
- This is the great **CALLING** of the church.

**Mark 16:15 (NIV)** *He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.*

- To be successful we must work by direction of the **HOLY SPIRIT**.