**Acts Chapter 10 vs. 1-8**

**Cornelius – The Gentile**

 **His Position**

1. He is a captain of the Italian Regiment. Centurion in charge of 100 soldiers

The structure of the Roman military was built around the Roman legion which consisted of 6000 men.

* The Roman legion was divided into cohorts: each cohort had 600 soldiers. This means there were ten cohorts in each legion.
* The cohort was divided into centuries. Each century had 100 men and was led by a centurion.

**His Character**

1. He was a devout man. ( deeply religious)
2. God – fearing man. And everyone in his household. (Family and servants)
3. He gave generously to those in need.
4. He prayed regularly to God. **NOTE:** He was still missing something (Jesus)

**His Experience**

1. 3 o’clock in the afternoon while he was praying he saw an angel of God coming toward him.
2. The angel told him that His prayers and gifts to the poor have been received by God as an offering.
3. The Angel gave Cornelius detail instruction.
* Apostles name. ( Peter)
* The city where he was staying. ( Joppa)
* The occupation of the host. ( Tanner )
* And the street address. (Lives near the seashore)

Notice that the angel did not minister to Cornelius the word of the Gospel, the word of salvation.

**His Obedience**

1. As soon as the Angel left he called
* 2 of his household servants.
* And a devout Soldier one of his personal attendant.
* He told them what happened.
* He sent them off to Joppa.

**Peter – The Jew v. 9-20**

**His Experience**

1. Peter goes to the flat roof to pray at noon.

1. Peter sees a vision of a large sheet coming down from the sky, in it was all kinds of unclean animals.
2. He hears a voice tell him to kill the animals an eat them.
3. He response no, Lord “ I have never eaten anything that our Jewish laws have declare impure or unclean”
4. The Lord told him not to call something unclean if God had made it clean.

**The Vision happen 3 Times**

**Matthew 18:16**
“ 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' **Deuteronomy 19:15**

* Peter was confused about the vision thinking what could it mean
* The 3 Men sent from Cornelius are standing outside the Gate asking for Simon Peter.
* The Holy Spirit tells Peter to go with Them without hesitation

**Peter Goes to Caesarea v.21-33**

**Peter’s Sermon v.34- 43**

**Gentiles received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. V. 44 - 48**