



Hear All

Acts 10

None is righteous, no, not one
Romans 3:10

- Romans 3:10-12 (ESV) “None is righteous, no, not one; 11 no one understands; no one seeks for God. 12 All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one.”
- This is a bleak evaluation
 - It also seems too inclusive, overreaching.
 - Is it really true?
- Romans 3:23: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God
- We have all made choices
 - selfishly
 - taught to us by the world: parents, friends, society
- Consider Cornelius (Acts 10)



Cornelius

centurion of the Italian Cohort

devout man

feared God with all household

gave alms generously

prayed continually

- Cornelius: Luke

- centurion of the Italian Cohort
- devout man
- feared God with all household
- gave alms generously
- prayed continually to God



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- Cornelius: Soldiers
 - centurion
 - an upright
 - God fearing man
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- Cornelius is a good guy.
 - successful
 - kind
 - pious
 - obeyed the angel sent to him
 - 33: “we are all here in the presence of God”
 - He does more than most people, goes beyond what is required.



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- God accepted Cornelius' deeds as a memorial.
 - 4: Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God
 - 31: Your prayer has been heard and your alms have been remembered before God



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- God knew that Cornelius needed more
 - 5: bring one Simon who is called Peter
 - 22: directed by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and hear what you have to say
 - 32: Send ... ask for Simon who is called Peter
 - 33: Now therefore we are all here in the presence of God
 - to **hear all** that you have been commanded by the Lord



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- For all the good he did.
- Even that God recognized him
- Something more was needed ... something that Cornelius needed to hear.



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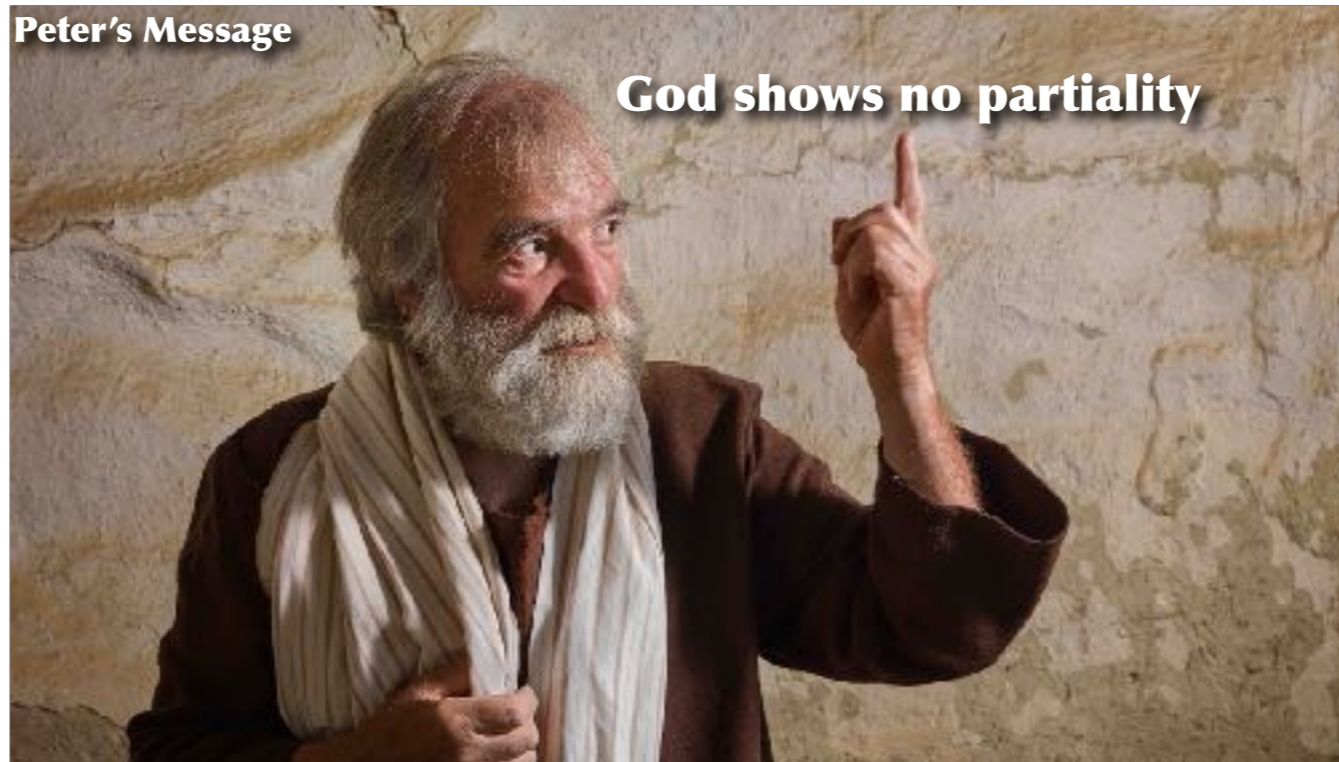
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- So as you consider your own life, what do you see?
 - Are you a good person?
 - Do you do good things for others?
 - Do you pray to God?
 - Is there anything missing?
- What God sees may be different than your perception.
 - None righteous ... all have sinned
 - Is there any hope?
- What do you need to hear?



- Acts 10:34-35 (ESV) 34 So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

Peter's Message

Good news: peace through Jesus Christ



- Acts 10:36 As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all),
- Acts 10:37 **you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea**, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed:

Peter's Message

Good news: peace through Jesus Christ

**anointed with
Holy spirit &
power**



- 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power.

Peter's Message

Good news: peace through Jesus Christ

**doing good
and healing**



- He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,



- for God was with him.
- Acts 10:39 And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

Peter's Message

Good news: peace through Jesus Christ

put to death



- 39: They put him to death by hanging him on a tree,



- Acts 10:40-41 (ESV) 40 but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.



- Acts 10:42 (ESV) 42 And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.

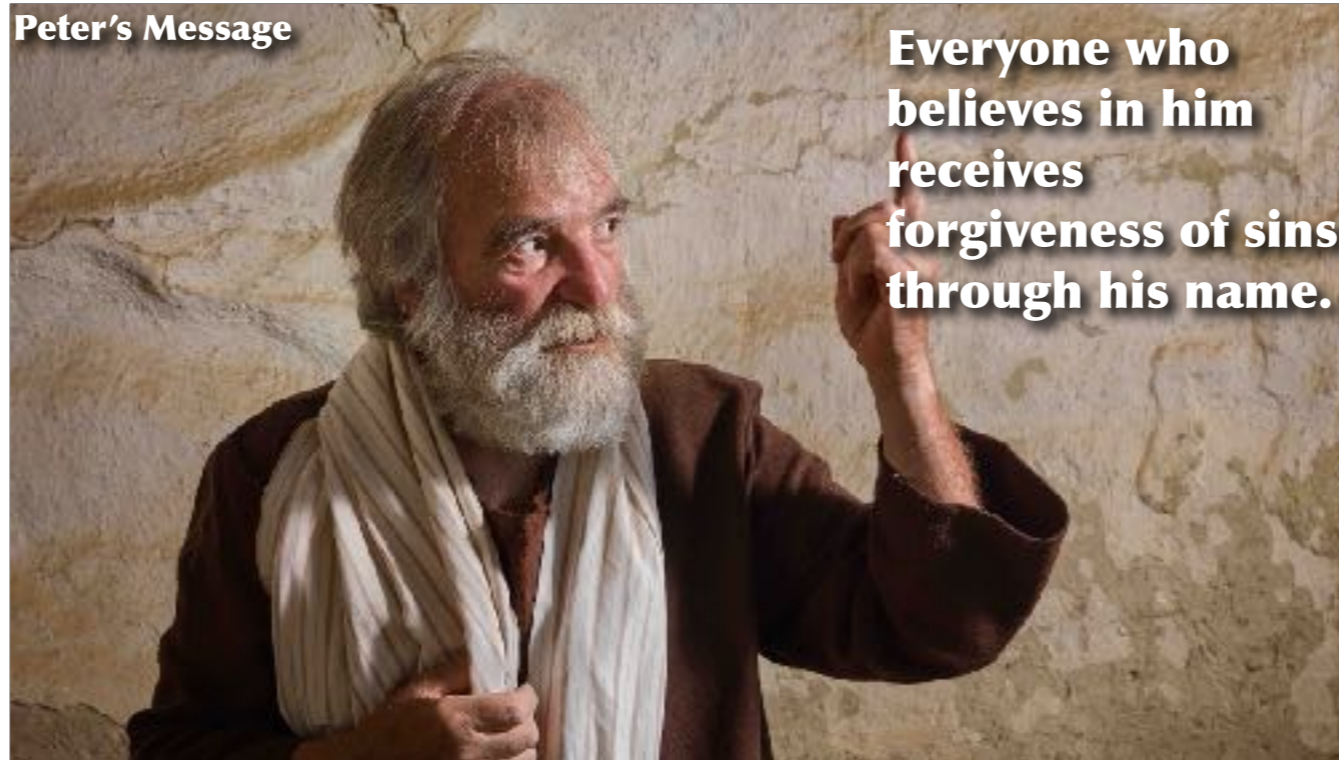
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- Cornelius needed to understand who Jesus is:
 - not just another man or prophet or miracle worker
 - he'd heard some things ... but did he understand the meaning?
- Jesus
 - Lord of all
 - Chosen by God
 - Power through Holy Spirit
 - God was with him
 - God raised
 - God appointed him Judge

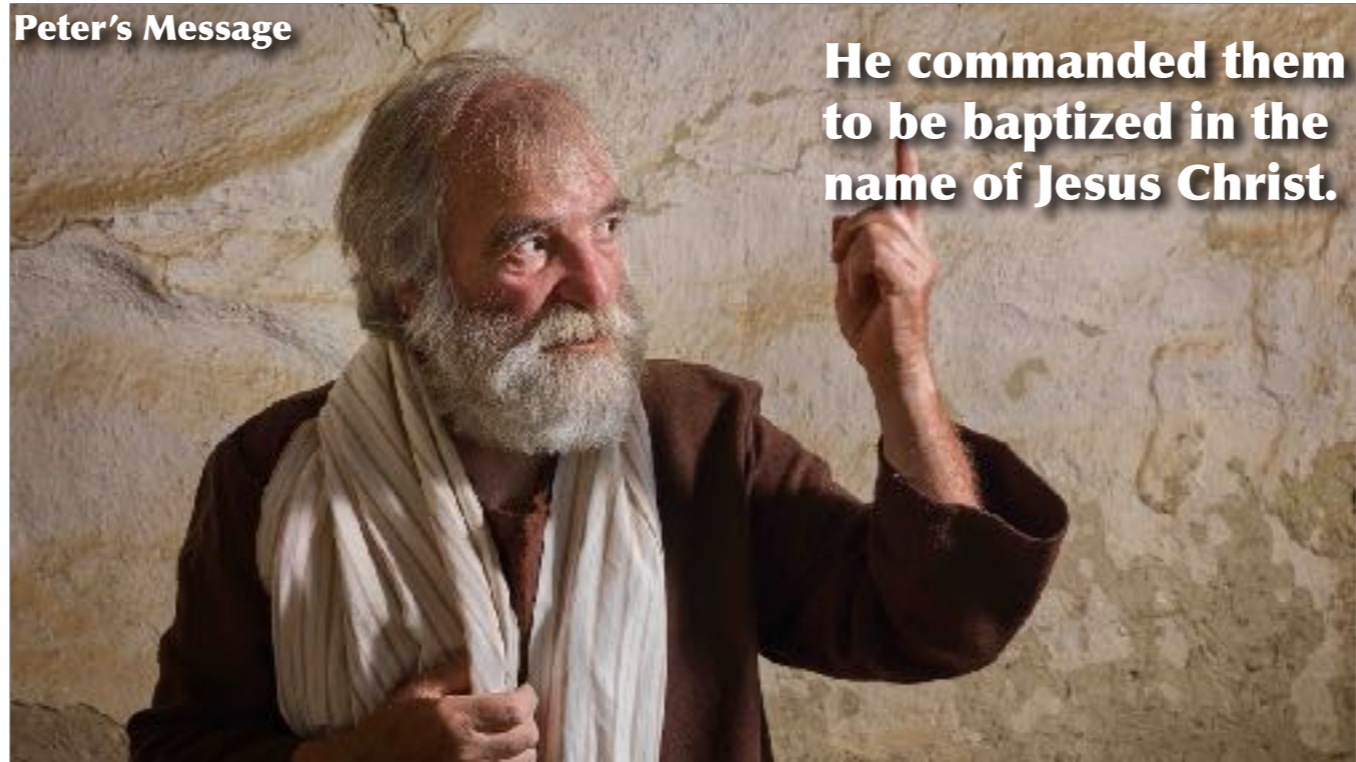
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**Everyone who
believes in him
receives
forgiveness of sins
through his name.**

- Acts 10:43 To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

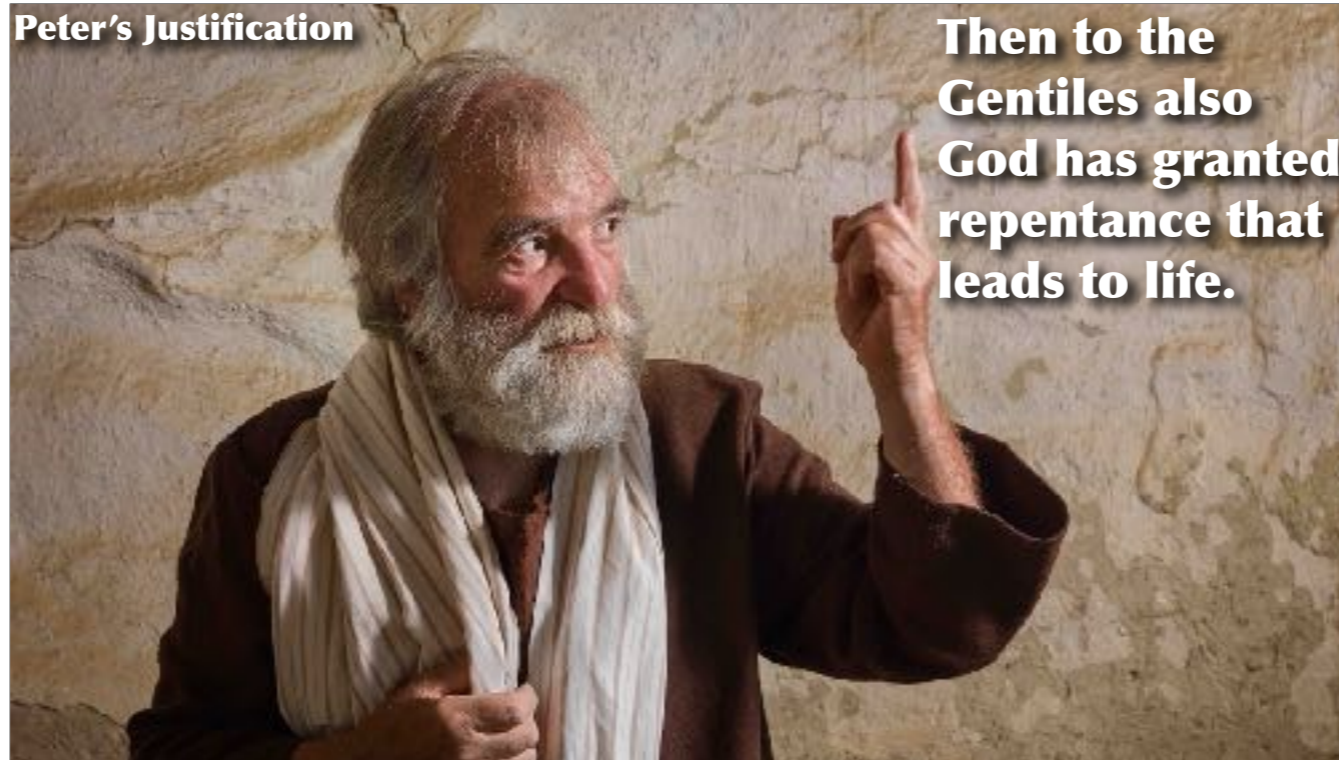
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**He commanded them
to be baptized in the
name of Jesus Christ.**

- Acts 10:48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Peter's Justification

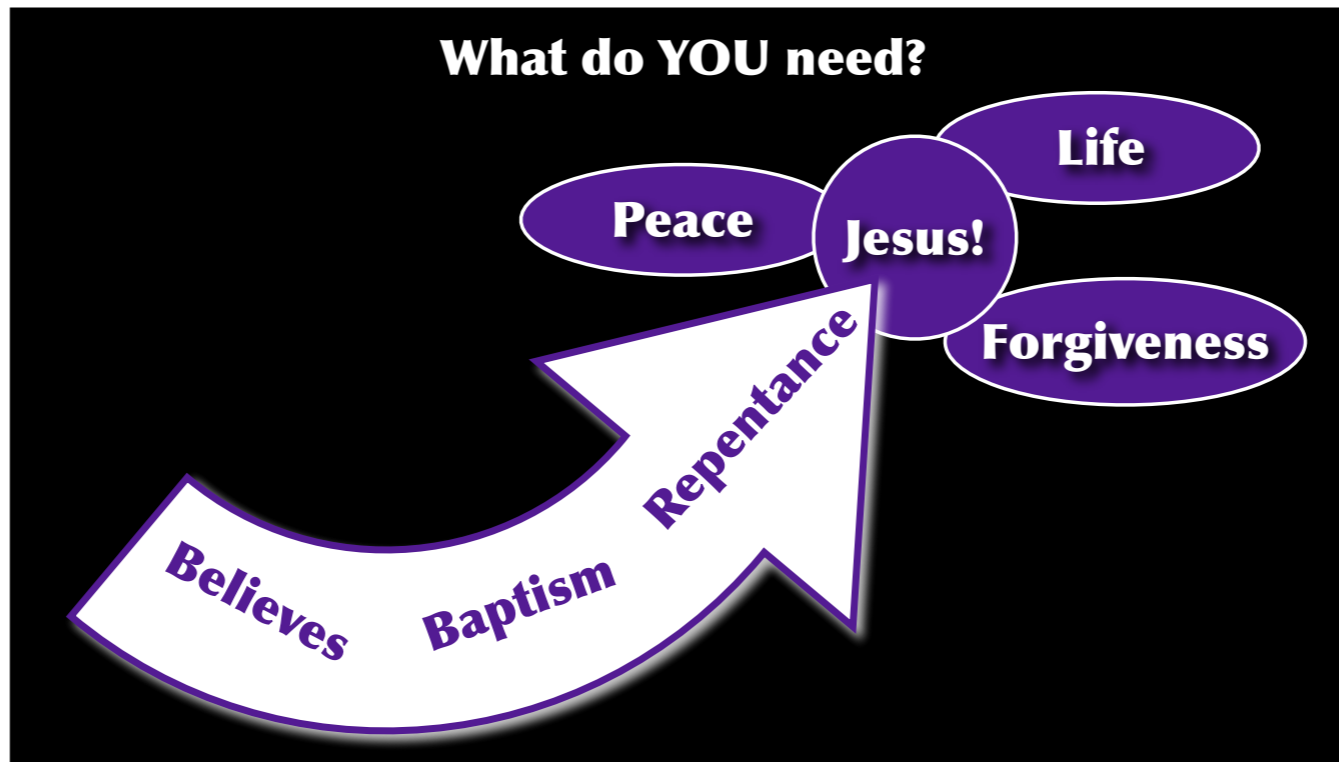


**Then to the
Gentiles also
God has granted
repentance that
leads to life.**

- Acts 11:18: (ESV) “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”



- What did Cornelius need?
 - Jesus
 - Peace, forgiveness, life
 - What did Cornelius need to do?
 - He's heard who Jesus is now.
 - Believe in Jesus (Lord, Raised, Judge)
 - Baptized (united with Jesus)
 - Repentance (change of mind)



- What do YOU need?
 - Jesus
 - Peace, forgiveness, life
 - What did Cornelius need to do?
 - He's heard who Jesus is now.
 - Believe in Jesus (Lord, Raised, Judge)
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**We implore you on
behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20

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Synopsis: For all the good that Cornelius had in his life, there was one more thing he needed: Jesus.

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“Let all that you do be done with love.”