

The GREATEST MIRACLE The Rest of the Story

I. Review

- A. Healing of Aeneas – a great miracle
- B. Raising of Tabitha – a greater miracle

- C. Cornelius' vision

- D. Peter's trance and lessons learned

II. **ACT III** - Peter arrives in Caesarea.

- A. Cornelius' house
 - 1. Cornelius attempts to worship Peter.
 - 2. Peter's response.

- B. Peter "went in."

- C. Cornelius and guests were prepared to hear the message.

- D. Peter's message.
 - 1. God shows no partiality.
 - 2. Summation of Peter's message (Acts 10: 34 – 43):
 - a. Jesus was baptized as an identification with humanity.
 - b. Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power.
 - c. Jesus went about doing good and healing, delivering those oppressed by the devil.
 - d. Jesus did this with the power of God, for God was with him.
 - e. Jesus did these things in the presence of eyewitnesses.
 - f. Jesus was crucified.
 - g. Jesus rose from the dead, resurrected in view of many witnesses.

- h. Jesus commanded His followers to preach the message of who He is and what He did,
- i. Jesus is ordained by God to be Judge of the entire world.
- k. Jesus is the one foretold by the prophets.

III. CLIMAX OF THE GREATEST MIRACLE

- A. The Holy Spirit descends upon the Gentiles.
- B. Jewish believers' responses.
- C. Peter encourages baptism.

IV. THE GREATEST MIRACLE

- A. Isaiah 60: 1 – 3
- B. Gentiles are accepted into the body of Christ – the church.
- C. Their salvation means all Gentiles can also experience _____ with God.

V. Epilogue

- A. Jerusalem and the Circumcision Party
- B. Acts 11: 16, 17

VI. Practical Application

- A. Preparing to listen
- B. Overcoming prejudice
- C. Witnessing