

**Series "God At Work" Book Of Acts**  
**"Gentiles Added To The Church"**  
**Acts 10:36-48 | Study-20**

**Acts 10:43 through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins."**

**What is so important about Peter's sermon is that it contains the basic Gospel.**

**Thought Of Our Passage:** "God's Salvation, Forgiveness Of Sins Is For Everyone Who Believes In Jesus And His Death, Burial, And Resurrection"

- 1. Verses 36-37 The Introduction**
- 2. Verses 38-43 The Sermon**
- 3. Verses 44-48 The Response**

**1. Verses 36-37 Introduction:**

**Acts 10:36 "The word which He sent to the sons of Israel, [Context]**  
Peter is speaking in a Gentile home of Cornelius to a Gentile crowd.

**Acts 10:1-35**

**Acts 10-11** account of the Gospel transitioning from a Jewish Church to all humanity.

God uses Peter, who is the Apostle to the Jews (spokesman of **Acts 1-12**)

**Peter travels from Joppa to Caesarea, some 30 miles south.**

Caesarea is the capital of Judea. A Gentile city. Peter does not fully understand why he is even there. **Acts 10:29**

**Acts 10:33-34** Peter now grasps the will of God. **"I most certainly understand now** - the word means *"to seize or grasp something, I get it!"* **that God is not one to show partiality, - Partiality** – Literally "A face taker."

The Bible teaches that God is not partial. **Deuteronomy 10:17 (James 2:13)**

**Acts 10:35 but in every nation the man who fears Him and does what is right is welcome to Him.**

**Acts 10:36 "The word which He sent to the sons of Israel, (Message) Romans 1:16-17**

**"The word** is the message that Peter preached to Israel in **Acts 2**, the same message Peter now preaches to the Gentiles.

The Early Church Fathers (Leaders following the Apostles), you find many references to **"The Apostles' Doctrine."** This is the message or **Kerygma** of the early church. **Kerygma** is the Greek word used in the New Testament for **Preaching (Luke 4:18-19, Romans 10:14, Matthew 3:1)** *"to cry or proclaim as a herald, make a proclamation, announcement, or preaching."*

Found in the messages in the Book of Acts. **Acts 2:14-39, 3:11-26, 4:8-12, 5:29-32, 7:52-56, 9:19-20, 10:34-43, 13:22-41, 16:31, 17:3, & 18-31, 18:5 & 28, 22:14-16 and 26:23 & 29.**

1. Jesus came from God
2. You and I killed Him
3. God raised Him up
4. He sends the Holy Spirit
5. Believe and Repent
6. He's coming back

**peace through Jesus Christ (Salvation) Romans 5:1, 10; Colossians 1:20; 1 Thessalonians 5:3**

**(He is Lord of all)**— Jesus is declared to be **"Lord of all,"** and not just Lord of Israel.

**Acts 10:37** The public at large knew about Christ's life, ministry, and death.

**starting from Galilee, after the baptism which John proclaimed.** At the baptism of Jesus, the Holy Spirit came upon Him, God the Father declared Jesus His Son. **John 1:33-34**

## **2. Verses 38-43 The Sermon:**

**Acts 10:38 The Sermon Centered In Jesus: Jesus of Nazareth** Peter started with the real Jesus (Son of Man) **"You know of** whom the people knew. **Acts 26:26**

**Verse 38 Jesus Life And Works: how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit -** The idea of *"dedication to a sacred purpose."*

**and with power,** the power to forgive sin, raise the dead, walk on water, **and how He went about doing good,** Jesus gave the **Magna Carta to children**

**and healing all who were oppressed by the devil;** Jesus healed the multitudes

**God was with Him.** *"Logically, all it can mean is Jesus was empowered by God."*

**Verse 39 Jesus' Death: Acts 10:39** "We are witnesses of all the things He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem. Peter was with Jesus for three and a half years,

**They also put Him to death** - Peter, in his previous sermons, said it was the Jews; now he says "They," which means both Jews and Gentiles.

**hanging Him on a cross.** The word **cross** is literally "Wood" so we say *cross, which is made of wood, a tree which is wood* –God's plan of Substitutionary death. **Deuteronomy 21:22-23; Galatians 3:13**

**Verses 40-41 Jesus' Resurrection: Acts 10:40 (Burial/Resurrection)** "God raised Him up on the third day, Jesus raised from the dead. **Jesus, the Father and the Holy Spirit. (Raised from what? The tomb, the grave) Romans 1:4**

**and granted that He became visible,** - There are 10-11 appearances of Jesus.

**Acts 10:41 witnesses who were chosen beforehand by God,** His Disciples/Apostles.

**to us, who ate and drank with Him** He is really alive, we ate and drank with Him.

**Verse 42 Jesus Return's As Judge: Acts 10:42** "And He ordered us to preach to the people, Gospel Message - *death burial and resurrection.* **John 14:6; Acts 4:12**

**as Judge of the living and the dead.** **Acts 17:31**

**Verse 43 The Offer of Salvation: Acts 10:43** "Of Him (JESUS) all the prophets bear witness **Deuteronomy 18:15, Isaiah 53, David - Psalm 2**

**everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins."** Peter, then and only then, Announced The Good News:

**believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins."** **believes** – means to "*commit unto, be committed to one's trust, to have faith in*" Then and only then does one **receive forgiveness of sins."**

### **3. Verses 44-48 The Response:**

**Acts 10:44 still speaking these words,** Peter is interrupted by the Holy Spirit, did not get to finish speaking.

**the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were listening to the message.** This was a sovereign move of the Spirit of God. **Acts 11:15**

**Acts 10:45** All the circumcised believers who had come with Peter were amazed, This is important because Peter had taken some Jewish brethren, **Acts 11:12**

**Matthew 16:18-19** "I will give you the keys The term "keys" symbolizes "authority, the authority to open and close doors."

**The Key** – Jesus is The Christ, The Son Of the Living God, the foundation of salvation and the Church.

Peter was given the privilege first of opening "the door of salvation through faith" to the Jews at Pentecost (**Acts 2**), to the Samaritans **Acts 8:14**, and now to the Gentiles **Acts 10:44**. But the other Apostles shared this authority **Matthew 18:18**

**Acts 10:46 speaking with tongues and exalting God.** The interpretation of tongues was the exalting of God. **Acts 2:4, 11; Acts 10:45; 1 Corinthians 12:13**

**Acts 10:47** God forgives and receives the Gentiles (Evidence Baptism of the Holy Spirit)

**be baptized (Identify With Jesus' Death, Burial and Resurrection).**

**Acts 10:48** And he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. We now have the NT Church.

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**Then they asked him to stay on for a few days. Matthew 28:19-20**

**Application: The Historical Christian Conversion Involves Three Following Truths:**

**1. Confession Of Faith – Acts 10:43** Faith in a Crucified Savior, risen from the dead, who died for our sins that He might bring us to God. Forsaking our old, sinful life of the past, to follow Jesus because He is Lord and Master.

**2. Christian Experience** – Because we are now born again and have a new nature, we now long to be conformed to the image of God, we long to be with others with the same nature and desire. This must be personal. It can't be our parents, spouse, or friend, but must be our own.

**3. Believer's Identification Through Baptism** – This was universal in the NT Church. It does not save us, but it does testify that we are saved and following Jesus.