

## Acts 10

I now realise how true it is that God does not show  
favouritism but accepts men from every nation who fear him  
and do what is right.

Acts 10:34-35

### Cornelius' Diary

At three in the afternoon ...

When Peter arrived ...

Thank you, Father ...



### Peter's Diary

I was staying ...

It took some time to get to Caesarea ..

Thank you, Father ...



What can you learn from this lesson that you can thank God for?

Readings this week:

S Acts 9:32-43  
M Acts 10:1-8  
T Acts 10:9-23  
W Acts 10:24-48  
Th Acts 11:1-18  
F Ephesians 2:1-10  
S Ephesians 2:11-22

Peter had to completely re-think many lessons. Eating unclean meat was something nobody in his whole community would do. It must have been very shocking for him to even think about. Sometimes the things God asks us to do are really hard and go against what those around us think is the right thing to do. Can you think of anything that the Bible teaches us is right which your friends would find unacceptable? What about the moral behaviour which is expected of us? How would you defend your attitude to your friends? Talk in your group about situations like this and how you would deal with them.

Think about how much it means to you that the gospel was preached to every nation. What does this tell you about what your attitude to others from different races and backgrounds should be?

In *Genesis* God told Abraham that all nations would be blessed through him. Can you make a link between God's promise and this lesson about Peter?

## Digging Deeper

Peter shouldn't have been surprised that God wanted Gentiles to believe in Jesus because Jesus himself had shown the way. Try to work out what these three passages have got to do with Jews and Gentiles and what Jesus wanted everyone to understand.

Matthew 15:21-28

Luke 14:16-24

John 10:14-16

Pray that you may never be prejudiced against anyone because of their race, colour, sex, age, appearance, ability, etc.