

THE CONVERSION OF CORNELIUS

Acts 10 & 11



THE STORY



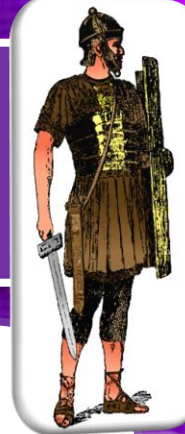
Acts 10

- Cornelius instructed to send for Peter (vv1-8)
- Peter has a vision (vv9-16)
- Peter summoned to Caesarea (vv17-23)
- Peter meets Cornelius (vv24-33)
- Peter preaches to Cornelius (vv34-48)

Acts 11

- Rehearsal of Acts 10 events

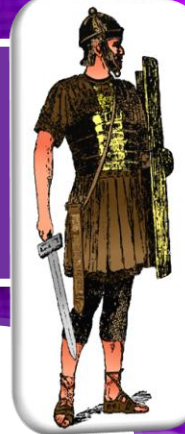
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By his good character!

- “Devout man and one who feared God with all his household, who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed to God always.” (10:2)
- “A just man, one who fears God and has a good reputation among all the nation of the Jews.” (10:22)

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By the circumstances of the story!

- He prayed! (10:2; 6)
- An angel appeared! (10:3)
- Peter had a vision! (10:9-23; esp. v22)
- Holy Spirit was poured out! (10:44-48)
- Cornelius spoke in tongues! (10:46)

WHEN WAS CORNELIUS SAVED?

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- When he was told what to do
 - Acts 10:6; Romans 10:13-17



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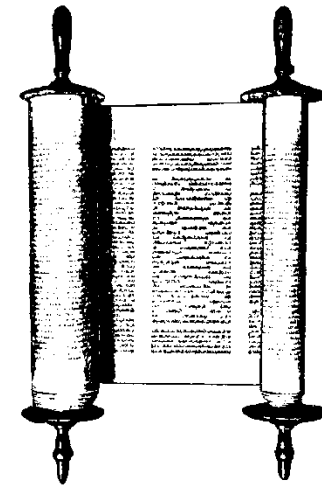
- When he was told what to do
- When he obeyed
 - Acts 10:7,8; Hebrews 11:8



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- When he was told what to do
- When he obeyed
- When he heard words
 - Acts 10:22; Romans 10:17



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- When he was told what to do
- When he obeyed
- When he heard words
- When he heard all that was commanded
 - Acts 10:33; Matthew 7:21



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- When he was told what to do
- When he obeyed
- When he heard words
- When he heard all that was commanded
- When he was baptized in water

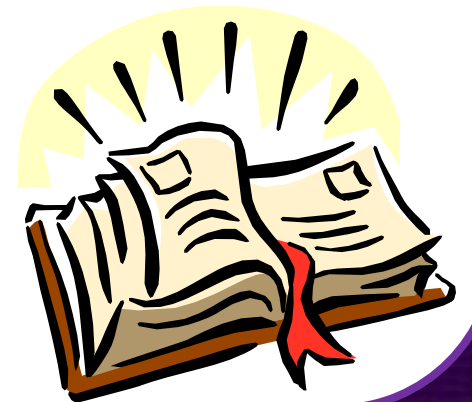
– Acts 10:47; 11:18



CORNELIUS WAS SAVED



- **Just like all the others in Acts!**
 - **Acts 2** Day of Pentecost
 - **Acts 8** Samaritans and the Eunuch
 - **Acts 9** Saul (Paul)
 - **Acts 16** Lydia and the Jailor
 - **Acts 18** The Corinthians
- **Baptism was commanded!**
 - **Acts 10:48** See also **11:17**



ARE YOU SAVED?



- Are you a good person? ***Not enough!***
- Do you pray? ***Not enough!***
- What if an angel ... ? ***Not enough!***
- What about a vision? ***Not enough!***
- What if the Holy Spirit? ***Not enough!***
- Speaking in tongues? ***Not enough!***

WHAT MUST YOU DO TO BE SAVED?

- Hear the word **Romans 10:14,17**
- Have faith **Hebrews 11:6**
- Repent **Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30**
- Commit **Luke 14:25-33**
- Confess **Romans 10:10**
- Baptized **1 Peter 3:21**
- Love the Lord **John 14:15**
- Endure to salvation **2 Timothy 2:10**