

Sermon Discussion Questions
The Church Jesus is Building: Week 7
Acts 10; 11:18

*Here are some questions to discuss as you think about the message from **Acts 10 and 11:18**.*

1. What stands out to you about the apostle Cornelius' conversion experience?
2. In what ways is Cornelius an outsider? How is he welcomed into the family?
3. In what ways is Peter an insider? How does God use him to reach Cornelius? How does Peter have to change?
4. Read Acts 11:18. What does "repentance" mean? What is the result?
5. A Roman centurion is adopted into the family of God because "God shows no favoritism." The church of Acts transformed the world through the love of Christ that removed the barriers of culture, race, class, and gender. How does this message speak to us today? In what ways are you personally challenged, convicted, or comforted?

If you would like to dig a little deeper, here are some more scriptures to read and questions to guide you.

Read Galatians 3:23-28.

- What is the basis for unity in the church?
- What does it mean to you personally to be a child of God? How would your life look different if you made "Christ-follower" your primary identity?
- What other identities—family, work, political, culture, race, class, gender, etc.—are important to you? Why? Does being a Christian negate all those other ways of thinking about yourself? Why or why not?
- How is God challenging you in the midst of the national and personal events of this past week? What is God teaching you about the relevance of the gospel? How are you praying? With whom are you processing?