

Sermon Discussion Guide Launches a Global Mission – Acts 10:34-48

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“Money, earthly power, our strategies and plans, political parties, corporations, institutions, or cultural influence do not change everything.”

- What are some things people commonly trust to “change the world” today?
- Why do you think the early church spread so powerfully even without influence or resources?
- Where are you personally tempted to trust strategy, comfort, or control more than the power of the gospel?

Peter says: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism.”

- Why was Peter’s realization so shocking in his culture?
- Who are the people Christians may quietly assume are “less reachable” by the gospel?

“Peter had to go to Cornelius’ house. He had to walk through the door. He had to sit at the table.”

- Why do you think crossing boundaries requires intentional action?
- What are some “comfortable Christian bubbles” believers can fall into?
- What might it look like for you to “walk through the door” toward someone this week?

“The gospel breaks down barriers.”

- Which barriers do you think are hardest for the church to overcome right now?
- Where have you seen the gospel bring together very different people?

“Sometimes our role is simply to pay attention to where the Spirit is already working.”

- Where do you see spiritual hunger in people around you right now?
- Why do Christians sometimes miss opportunities God is creating?
- Who in your life may be more open to hope, prayer, or conversation than you realize?

The sermon mentioned:

- exhausted parents
- isolated elderly people
- skeptical coworkers
- teenagers searching for meaning
- hurting people

Which of these groups stands out most to you right now? Why?

Acts 10 says the Holy Spirit came while Peter was still speaking. “God acted before they had fully processed it, organized it, debated it, or approved it.”

- Why do people often want to control or fully understand what God is doing?
- Have you ever seen God work in ways that surprised you?
- What does it mean to follow Jesus even when it stretches us beyond comfort?