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**Unshakeable: Part 5**

**Acts 10:1-11:18**

**• This is God’s Word.**

**• It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction.**

**• It has God for its author,**

**• salvation for its end,**

**• and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.**

**• It is the supreme source of truth**

**• for what we believe**

**• and how we live.**

**In Caesarea there lived a Roman army officer named Cornelius, who was a captain of the Italian Regiment. He was a devout, God-fearing man, as was everyone in his household. He gave generously to the poor and prayed regularly to God. Acts 10:1-2**

**Cornelius**

* **A Centurion**
* **Devout**
* **God-fearing man**
* **Led his family to fear God**
* **Generous giver to the poor**
* **Prayed regularly**

**You can work hard, follow the rules, fear God, help those in need, and love your family, but you still need to be saved.**

**One afternoon about three o’clock, he had a vision in which he saw an angel of God coming toward him. “Cornelius!” the angel said. Cornelius stared at him in terror. “What is it, sir?” he asked the angel. And the angel replied, “Your prayers and gifts to the poor have been received by God as an offering! Now send some men to Joppa, and summon a man named Simon Peter. He is staying with Simon, a tanner who lives near the seashore.” As soon as the angel was gone, Cornelius called two of his household servants and a devout soldier, one of his personal attendants. He told them what had happened and sent them off to Joppa. Acts 10:3-8**

**Send messengers to Joppa, and summon a man named Simon Peter. He will tell you how you and everyone in your household can be saved! Acts 11:13-14**

**The next day as Cornelius’s messengers were nearing the town, Peter went up on the flat roof to pray. It was about noon, and he was hungry. But while a meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance. He saw the sky open, and something like a large sheet was let down by its four corners. In the sheet were all sorts of animals, reptiles, and birds. Then a voice said to him, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat them.” “No, Lord,” Peter declared. “I have never eaten anything that our Jewish laws have declared impure and unclean.” But the voice spoke again: “Do not call something unclean if God has made it clean.” The same vision was repeated three times. Then the sheet was suddenly pulled up to heaven. Acts 10:9-16**

**They arrived in Caesarea the following day. Cornelius was waiting for them and had called together his relatives and close friends. Acts 10:24**

**So I sent for you at once, and it was good of you to come. Now we are all here, waiting before God to hear the message the Lord has given you.” Acts 10:33**

**Then Peter replied, “I see very clearly that God shows no favoritism. In every nation he accepts those who fear him and do what is right. This is the message of Good News for the people of Israel—that there is peace with God through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. Acts 10:34-36**

**The Good News is for anyone!**

**The Good News is for everyone!**

**And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. Acts 10:38**

**…They put him to death by hanging him on a cross. Acts 10:39**

**But God raised him to life on the third day… Acts 10:40**

**He is the one all the prophets testified about, saying that everyone who believes in him will have their sins forgiven through his name.” Acts 10:43**

**The Good News is Jesus came to this earth, lived a perfect life, died an agonizing death, and rose from the grave on the third day so our sins could be forgiven!**

**Even as Peter was saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the message. The Jewish believers who came with Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles, too. For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God. Then Peter asked, “Can anyone object to their being baptized, now that they have received the Holy Spirit just as we did?” So he gave orders for them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterward Cornelius asked him to stay with them for several days. Acts 10:44-48**

**Everyone is invited to be a part of God’s family!**