

Pentecost Continues...

- 1. **Pentecost:** The Holy Spirit came in order that humanity might change. The Holy Spirit outpouring & infilling cleanses us from sin.
- 2. **The 21st century Church &** its prejudices reveals our lack of the Holy Spirit. No cultural privilege or disadvantage will gain you an eternal benefit.

Acts 9:43

Prejudices Within Religion

- 1. A Tanner's profession was an unclean or unacceptable occupation for a Jew. It dealt with dead animals and blood.
- 2. The Holy Spirit's infilling is removing Peter's religious prejudices.
- 3. Never confuse a religious practice with a proper relationship with God.
- 4. God doesn't care about the doctrine of your religion. He cares about the doctrines of His Word & your heart.

A Scriptural Mandate

James 2:1 My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism.

Mark 16:15 He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

Acts 10:34 Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism 35 but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right.

Acts 10:1-4

A Memorial Offering

1. **V:4** A Gentile's prayers and gifts came before God. Most Jews would never be able to believe this truth, without the Holy Spirit.

2. Malachi 3:16 Then those who feared the LORD talked with each other, and the LORD listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in his presence concerning those who feared the LORD and honored his name.

Acts 10:5-16

What's Impure or Unclean

- 1. V:4 A gentile honoring God. Is Clean!
- 2. V:6 A Jew who is a tanner that honors God. Is Clean!
- 3. V:7-16 The Holy Spirit is giving Peter a vision that he must change his thinking about Mosaic law. (Christian Biblical view.)

Acts 10:17-26

Kneeling & Deception

- 1. V:19-25 The Holy Spirit will guide you when to hesitate and when not to.
- V:26 Don't kneel to a human. The 21st world we have police, athletes, politicians & even Pastors kneeling for BLM. This is an unscriptural/unbiblical position to take.
- 3. **Philippians 2:10-11** that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Stand Up

- 1. **Does God love sinners?** Yes! For all has sinned and fallen short of His Glory. Romans 3:23 (Stand up for the Lost)
- 2. Christians must stand up. How? We stand for respect, sympathy, empathy, and love. (Stand up for the weak & the least)
- 3. We stand for what is holy, righteousness, and pure!
- 4. We stand for what is kind, understanding, and true.
- 5. We stand for the Kingdom of God and the soon coming King, Jesus Christ!