

What Revival Looks Like
How Revival Acts
Acts 10:24-33

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26 But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man.

27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together.

28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

29 Therefore came I *unto you* without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent ye have sent for me?

30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,

31 And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God.

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of *one* Simon a tanner by the sea side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.

33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

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- One of the best methods of church growth is for members to bring family and friends to church.

ii. The Greeting, 10:25-27

- How Peter was Worshipped, 10:25-26

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THE KING OF ENGLAND KISSING THE POPE'S TOE.

<http://www.deepertruthblog.com/blogsite/the-catholic-defender-709-a-d-kissing-the-popes-foot/>



The statue of St. Peter, whose foot is worn by the kisses of the faithful

http://www.romanhomes.com/your_roman_vacation/quarters/vatican-quarter.htm



<https://seekingalpha.com/article/3491796-saint-peters-feey>

Rev. 19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, *See thou do it not*: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

Rev. 22:8 And I John saw these things, and heard *them*. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

9 Then saith he unto me, **See *thou do it not*: for I am thy fellowservant**, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: **worship God**.

Acts 14:11 And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.

12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker. ...

14 *Which* when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard *of*, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? **We also are men of like passions with you**, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

- How Peter was Welcomed, 10:27

Acts 10:27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together.

- Peter didn't know that others were waiting to hear, too.
- We don't know, either, how many are waiting to hear from us!

iii. The Guidance 10:28-33

- How God Overruled Peter's National Intolerance, 10:28-29

Acts 10:28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

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"There is nothing more binding on the average person than social custom."

Robertson, Archibald Thomas, Vol. 3, p. 141, *Word Pictures in the New Testament*. 6 vols. Nashville: Broadman Press, 1931.

- How God Overruled Cornelius' Natural Ignorance, 10:30-33
 - His Exemplary Conduct, 10:30a "And Cornelius said, **Four days ago I was fasting** until this hour..."



New International Version

Cornelius answered: "**Three days ago** I was in my house praying at this hour, at three in the afternoon. Suddenly a man in shining clothes stood before me

New American Standard Bible

Cornelius said, "Four days ago to this hour, I was praying in my house during the ninth hour; and behold, a man stood before me in shining garments,

Holman Christian Standard Bible

Cornelius replied, "Four days ago at this hour, at three in the afternoon, I was praying in my house. Just then a man in a dazzling robe stood before me

King James Bible

And Cornelius said, Four days ago **I was fasting** until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,

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Mark 9:29 And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, **but by prayer and fasting.**

New International Version

He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."

New American Standard Bible

And He said to them, "This kind cannot come out by anything but prayer."

Holman Christian Standard Bible

And He told them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer **and fasting.**"

<http://biblehub.com/mark/9-29.htm>

- His Exciting Confirmation, 10:30b-32 "...and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,

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- His Expectant Condition, 10:33

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Conclusion

2 Cor. 5:17 Therefore **if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature**: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath **given to us the ministry of reconciliation**;

19 To wit, that God was in Christ, **reconciling the world unto himself**, not imputing their trespasses unto them; **and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation**.

20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* **in Christ's stead**, be ye reconciled to God.