

THE GENTILE CHURCH GROWS

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Text: Acts 9:32-10:48

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- God's response – what I have called clean, you do not have the authority to call unclean.
- The Gospel is for everyone.
- Jesus' death and resurrection and the promise of eternal life is freely available to anyone without regard to their ethnic heritage.
- The Jewish believers were “utterly amazed” because the Holy Spirit was given to the Gentiles as he was given to the Jews.
- The Gentiles were saved (as indicated by the filling of the Holy Spirit) before they were baptized.
- Some today want to teach that Baptism is necessary for salvation, but this is not the example found in the NT.
- Followers of Jesus (Jewish men and women) at Pentecost.
- Tongues is a validation that the message and the messengers are from God.
- When the Gospel spread to Samaria – Hellenistic Jews.
- When the Gospel spread to proselytized Gentiles living in Judea.
- When the Gospel came to the Gentiles, it spread throughout the Roman world.

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