

Acts 10

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 But a certain man in Caesarea, --by name Cornelius, a centurion of the band called Italic, **2** pious, and fearing God with all his house, both giving much alms to the people, and supplicating God continually, **3** --saw plainly in a vision, about the ninth hour of the day, an angel of God coming unto him, and saying to him, Cornelius. **4** But he, having fixed his eyes upon him, and become full of fear, said, What is it, Lord? And he said to him, Thy prayers and thine alms have gone up for a memorial before God. **5** And now send men to Joppa and fetch Simon, who is surnamed Peter. **6** He lodges with a certain Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea. **7** And when the angel who was speaking to him had departed, having called two of his household and a pious soldier of those who were constantly with him, **8** and related all things to them, he sent them to Joppa.

9 And on the morrow, as these were journeying and drawing near to the city, Peter went up on the house to pray, about the sixth hour. **10** And he became hungry and desired to eat. But as they were making ready an ecstasy came upon him: **11** and he beholds the heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending, as a great sheet, bound by the four corners and let down to the earth; **12** in which were all the quadrupeds and creeping things of the earth, and the fowls of the heaven. **13** And there was a voice to him, Rise, Peter, slay and eat. **14** And Peter said, In no wise, Lord; for I have never eaten anything common or unclean. **15** And there was a voice again the second time to him, What God has cleansed, do not *thou* make common. **16** And this took place thrice, and the vessel was straightway taken up into heaven. **17** And as Peter doubted in himself what the vision which he had seen might mean, behold also the men who were sent by Cornelius, having sought out the house of Simon, stood at the gate, **18** and having called some one, they inquired if Simon who was surnamed Peter was lodged there.

19 But as Peter continued pondering over the vision, the Spirit said to him, Behold, three men seek thee; **20** but rise up, go down, and go with them, nothing doubting, because I have sent them. **21** And Peter going down to the men said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what is the cause for which ye come? **22** And they said, Cornelius, a centurion, a righteous man, and fearing God, and borne witness to by the whole nation of the Jews, has been divinely instructed by a holy angel to send for thee to his house, and hear words from thee. **23** Having therefore invited them in, he lodged them. And on the morrow, rising up he went away with them, and certain of the brethren from Joppa went with him. **24** And on the morrow they came to Caesarea. But Cornelius was looking for them, having called together his kinsmen and his intimate friends. **25** And when Peter was now coming in, Cornelius met him, and falling down did him homage. **26** But Peter made him rise, saying, Rise up: I myself also am a man. **27** And he went in, talking with him, and found many gathered together. **28** And he said to them, Ye know how it is unlawful for a Jew to be joined or come to one of a strange race, and to *me* God has shewn to call no man common or unclean. **29** Wherefore also, having been sent for, I came without saying anything against it. I inquire therefore for what reason ye have sent for me. **30** And Cornelius said, Four days ago I had been fasting unto this hour, and the ninth I was praying in my house, and lo, a man stood before me in bright clothing, **31** and said, Cornelius, thy prayer has been heard, and thy alms have come in remembrance before God. **32** Send therefore to Joppa and fetch Simon, who is surnamed Peter; he lodges in the house of Simon, a tanner, by the sea who when he is come will speak to thee. **33** Immediately therefore I sent to thee, and *thou* hast well done in coming. Now therefore we are all present before God to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

34 And Peter opening his mouth said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons, **35** but in every nation he that fears him and works righteousness is acceptable to him. **36** The word which he sent to the sons of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, (*he is Lord of all things,*) **37** ye know; the testimony which has spread through the whole of Judaea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached-- **38** Jesus who was of Nazareth: how

God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power; who went through all quarters doing good, and healing all that were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. **39** We also are witnesses of all things which he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem; whom they also slew, having hanged him on a cross. **40** This man God raised up the third day and gave him to be openly seen, **41** not of all the people, but of witnesses who were chosen before of God, *us* who have eaten and drunk with him after he arose from among the dead. **42** And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that *he* it is who was determinately appointed of God to be judge of living and dead. **43** To him all the prophets bear witness that every one that believes on him will receive through his name remission of sins.

44 While Peter was yet speaking these words the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were hearing the word. **45** And the faithful of the circumcision were astonished, as many as came with Peter, that upon the nations also the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out: **46** for they heard them speaking with tongues and magnifying God. Then Peter answered, **47** Can any one forbid water that these should not be baptised, who have received the Holy Spirit as we also did ? **48** And he commanded them to be baptised in the name of the Lord. Then they begged him to stay some days.