

Acts Ch 10

1) **Things happen when you pray!** Share examples of when God has said something to you whilst you were praying

2) **God chooses to use us!** Encourage one another with examples of when God used you, or used someone else to display God's love

3) **Loving God and loving others is intrinsically linked**

Cornelius prayed for, and gave gifts to the poor and (vs 4) the Angel said it was like a memorial offering to God,

- Look at the following passages and discuss the implications and our response.

Matthew 22:37-39

1 John 4:11-21

Matthew 25:31-46

- Practicing hospitality is about going into someone's home as well as receiving someone into yours – who would you struggle to mix with?
- Pray all racial, class, religious and gender, sexuality barriers would be broken.

4) **Discuss your response to someone that says "surely religions of all cultures have an equally valid basis for being acceptable to God?"**

5) **Do you regularly create an environment where you are receiving the Word and Holy Spirit? Acts 10:34**

- In a world where we receive 1000's of messages each day, discuss practical ways of increasing your exposure to hearing the Truth and receiving the Spirit?

6) **"Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts" 1 Cor 14:1**

One of the expressions of freedom to love God as the Holy Spirit came was the people started (vs 46) **speaking in tongues and extoling God.**

Discuss people's experiences of the gift of tongues (or languages) and encourage one another to keep exercising this particular gift.

Then have a go!