

Waiting at the Principal's Office

What Do I Do Now? (part 13)

Acts 11: Peter Explains His Actions

1The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. 2So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him 3and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

▽ **Change is** _____

▽ **Commit to** _____

1. Not Tradition
2. Not Personal Preference
3. Not Your Agenda
4. Not Your Authority

4Peter began and explained everything to them precisely as it had happened: 5"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. 6I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds of the air. 7Then I heard a voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.'" 8"I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

▽ **Expect God** _____ :

1. Pride
2. Weakness
3. Trust in him

9 "The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' 10This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.

▽ **Don't be more** _____ **than God is:**

1. False Humility
2. Alienates People
3. Creates Obstacles

11 "Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. 12The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. 13He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. 14He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

▽ **Go to People** _____ .

Application ideas for Ridgewood Church:

1. Music
2. Relevant Teachings
3. Fun
4. Being in touch with culture

15 "As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. 16Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17So if God gave them the same gift as he gave us, who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could oppose God?"

▽ **Don't oppose God! Be** _____ !

▽ **All believers receive the** _____ :

How do we know when someone has received the Holy Spirit and become a believer?

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18When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life."

Takeaways:

• **Humble yourself** _____

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• **Praise God for his** _____ !