

A CENTURION CONVERTS

LESSON 3

Acts 10

GOD'S LOVE IN JESUS IS FOR EVERYONE.



CONNECTING IDENTITY & CALLING

IDENTITY: WHO AM I?

God calls all people to Himself through His Word.

CALLING: WHY AM I HERE?

I can share the Word of God with others in my life, no matter their background or past.

GROWING IN FAITH FOR LIFE

See how this lesson builds on previous learning for each age.

ADULT

I can analyze the text for insights into what it means that God's love in Jesus is for everyone.

YOUTH

I can show from the text that God's love in Jesus is for all people in every time and every place.

ELEMENTARY

I understand that God's love in Jesus is for everyone.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

I know Jesus loves everyone and wants everyone to be saved.

BIBLE VERSE

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Romans 10:13

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

A faithful and generous centurion named Cornelius has a vision of God's angel telling him to bring Peter to Caesarea. In Joppa, Peter sees a vision of a sheet descending from the sky, filled with all kinds of animals. The instruction to "kill and eat" confuses Peter since many of the animals on the sheet are considered unclean. The Spirit tells Peter to go to Caesarea. At Cornelius's home, the Holy Spirit descends on the Gentiles as Peter preaches the Gospel to them. Peter commands the Gentiles to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

TAKING IT HOME

- ▶ On the Go—God is always ready to help us. He sent an angel to Cornelius and a vision to Peter. How does God give us His message today?
- ➤ At Mealtime—Describe Peter's vision. What does it mean? How was God making sure that Peter followed Jesus' command to "make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19)?
- ▶ Something to Do—God's message of salvation is for all people because the whole world belongs to Him. Use an online map or a globe to find the names of some foreign countries. Make a list of those countries and pray for them.
- Before Bed—Peter commanded all who heard Him, including the Gentiles, to be baptized. Who first commanded Baptism? Who gave us the words that are used in Baptism? What gifts do we receive in Baptism? Why is this Sacrament important to the Church?

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