Community Group Questions Acts 10:1-48

- 1. How would summarize the message of Acts chapter 10? What insights did you gain or what questions were raised for you as we studied the passage?
- 2. Cornelius is described in glowing terms (see verses 1-2, 22), and yet still needed to hear the gospel. How would you explain the gospel to a person who is successful and already displays upright moral character?
- 3. Read Matthew 8:5-13 and Mark 15:33-39. Together with this passage in Acts 10, the New Testament contains several passages which seem to highlight an openness to the gospel on the part of at least 3 centurions. What should that teach us about our perceptions of who will be and who won't be interested in the gospel?
- 4. Read Leviticus 11:1-8. Along with the rest of the chapter, these verses help us understand why Peter would have initially objected to the vision he received. What is the New Testament's perspective on dietary laws and restrictions? (see 1 Timothy 4:1-5; Romans 14:1-6; 1 Corinthians 10:31)
- 5. Peter's vision was not ultimately about food but about people. That theme is sprinkled throughout Acts 10 (vv.28-29, 34-35, 43-47). What are the implications of that for the church today?
- 6. What do you notice about the patterns of baptism in the Book of Acts? (see 8:36-38; 9:17-19; 16:13-15; 16:27-34; 18:5-8; 19:1-5)