

It Taste Like Steak?

Acts 10

¹In Caesarea

*there lived a Roman army officer named Cornelius,
who was a captain of the Italian Regiment.*

*²He was a devout, God-fearing man, as was everyone
in his household. He gave generously to the poor
and prayed regularly to God.*

Acts 10:1, 2 ^{NLT}

*³One afternoon about three o'clock,
he had a vision in which he saw an angel of God
coming toward him. "Cornelius!" the angel said.
⁴Cornelius stared at him in terror. "What is it, sir?"
he asked the angel. And the angel replied,
"Your prayers and gifts to the poor have been
received by God as an offering!*

Acts 10:3, 4^{NLT}

*⁵Now send some men to Joppa,
and summon a man named Simon Peter.*

*⁶He is staying with Simon, a tanner who lives near
the seashore.” ⁷As soon as the angel was gone,
Cornelius called two of his household servants and
a devout soldier, one of his personal attendants.*

*⁸He told them what had happened
and sent them off to Joppa.*

Acts 10:5-8 ^{NLT}

⁹The next day as Cornelius's messengers were nearing the town, Peter went up on the flat roof to pray. It was about noon, ¹⁰and he was hungry. But while a meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance. ¹¹He saw the sky open, and something like a large sheet was let down by its four corners.

Acts 10:9-11 ^{NLT}

¹²In the sheet were all sorts of animals, reptiles, and birds. ¹³Then a voice said to him, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat them.” ¹⁴“No, Lord,” Peter declared. “I have never eaten anything that our Jewish laws have declared impure and unclean.” ¹⁵But the voice spoke again: “Do not call something unclean if God has made it clean.”

Acts 10:12-15 ^{NLT}

*¹⁶The same vision was repeated three times.
Then the sheet was suddenly pulled up to heaven.*

¹⁷Peter was very perplexed.

What could the vision mean?

Just then the men sent by Cornelius found Simon's house. Standing outside the gate, ¹⁸they asked if a man named Simon Peter was staying there.

Acts 10:16-18 ^{NLT}

*¹⁹Meanwhile, as Peter was puzzling over the vision,
the Holy Spirit said to him,*

“Three men have come looking for you.

*²⁰Get up, go downstairs, and go with them without
hesitation. Don’t worry, for I have sent them.”*

Acts 10:19, 20 ^{NLT}

*21 So Peter went down and said,
“I’m the man you are looking for. Why have you
come?” 22 They said, “We were sent by Cornelius,
a Roman officer. He is a devout and God-fearing man,
well respected by all the Jews. A holy angel instructed
him to summon you to his house so that he can hear
your message.” 23 So Peter invited the men to stay
for the night. The next day he went with them,
accompanied by some of the brothers from Joppa.*

Acts 10:21-23 NLT

24They arrived in Caesarea the following day. Cornelius was waiting for them and had called together his relatives and close friends. 25As Peter entered his home, Cornelius fell at his feet and worshiped him.

26But Peter pulled him up and said, “Stand up! I’m a human being just like you!”

27So they talked together and went inside, where many others were assembled.

Acts 10:24-27^{NLT}

²⁸Peter told them, “

You know it is against our laws for a Jewish man to enter a Gentile home like this or to associate with you.

But God has shown me that I should no longer think of anyone as impure or unclean. ²⁹So I came without objection as soon as I was sent for.

Now tell me why you sent for me.”

Acts 10:28, 29 ^{NLT}

*³⁰Cornelius replied,
“Four days ago I was praying in my house about
this same time, three o’clock in the afternoon.
Suddenly, a man in dazzling clothes was standing
in front of me. ³¹He told me, ‘Cornelius, your prayer
has been heard, and your gifts to the poor
have been noticed by God!*

Acts 10:30, 31 ^{NLT}

*32Now send messengers to Joppa,
and summon a man named Simon Peter.
He is staying in the home of Simon, a tanner who lives
near the seashore.’ 33So I sent for you at once, and it
was good of you to come. Now we are all here,
waiting before God to hear the message
the Lord has given you.”*

Acts 10:32, 33 NLT

*When God Speaks,
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*How can you think of saying to your friend,
'Let me help you get rid of that speck in your eye,'
when you can't see past the log in your own eye?*

Matthew 7:4

Plank of Pride

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*¹⁶There are six things the LORD hates,
seven that are detestable to him:*

*¹⁷haughty eyes, a lying tongue,
hands that shed innocent blood,*

*¹⁸a heart that devises wicked schemes,
feet that are quick to rush into evil,*

*¹⁹a false witness who pours out lies
and a man who stirs up dissension among brothers.*

Proverbs 6:16-19 ^{NIV}

Plank of Pride

*Plank of **Retribution***

Plank of Pride

Plank of Retribution

¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. ¹⁶But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.'

Matthew 18:15-17 ^{NIV}

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Plank of Retribution

*¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church;
and if he refuses to listen even to the church,
treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector.*

Matthew 18:17^{NIV}

Plank of Pride

Plank of Retribution

*Plank of **Disbelief***

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Plank of Disbelief

³³But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.

³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. have.'

Luke 10:33, 34 ^{NIV}

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Plank of Retribution

Plank of Disbelief

³⁵The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

Luke 10:35 ^{NIV}

Plank of Pride

Plank of Retribution

Plank of Disbelief

Plank of **Inadequacy**

*Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial,
do not worry beforehand about what to say.*

*Just say whatever is given you at the time,
for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.*

Mark 13:11 ^{NIV}

⁴⁰Jesus answered him,

"Simon, I have something to tell you."

"Tell me, teacher," he said. ⁴¹"Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he canceled the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?"

⁴³Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt canceled." "You have judged correctly," Jesus said.

Luke 7:40-43^{NIV}

⁴⁴Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. ⁴⁷Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven--for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little."

Luke 7:44-47^{NIV}

*48Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."
49The other guests began to say among themselves,
"Who is this who even forgives sins?" 50Jesus said to
the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."*

Luke 7:48-50 NIV