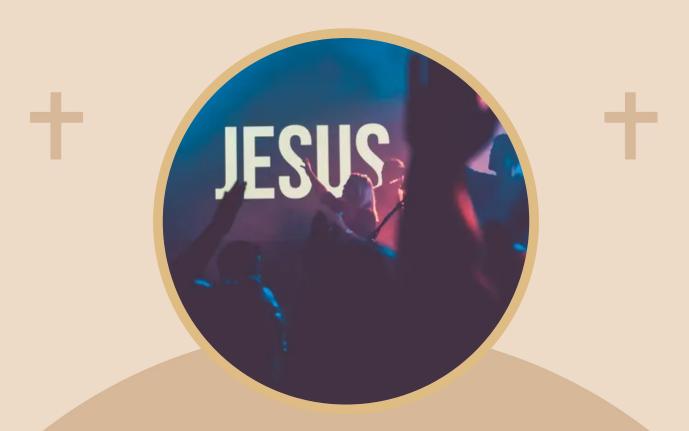
God's Invitation to All Nations



Explore Peter's vision in Acts 10 and celebrate God's inclusive plan to welcome all nations into His family.





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Introduction

Welcome to this transformative 7-day study on God's incredible invitation to all nations! The Bible reveals God's heart for every people group, and one of the most pivotal moments emphasizing this truth is found in *Acts 10*. Here, the Apostle Peter receives a divine vision that challenges cultural barriers and expands the gospel beyond Jewish boundaries to include Gentiles.

We often think about God's promises as exclusively for a select group, but Scripture bursts with stories where God's love reaches far wider than we anticipate. Peter's vision—where he sees a sheet lowered from heaven containing unclean animals and is told, "Do not call anything impure that God has made clean" (Acts 10:15)—symbolizes the breaking down of old barriers separating Jew and Gentile, holy and unholy, familiar and foreign.

As we walk through these seven days, we will celebrate this divine invitation to all nations, recognizing that God's family is diverse and inclusive by design. This inclusion shows God's unending grace and desire for unity among His creation. We'll reflect on the significance of this vision for the early church, its ramifications for us today, and how we can partner with God in welcoming and loving those different from us. Each day includes Scripture, devotional insights, reflective questions, journaling prompts, and prayers designed to deepen your understanding and engagement.

Prepare to be inspired by the radical scope of the gospel and the unshakable truth that through Christ, every nation is invited to share in God's love and







salvation. Let God's Word speak to you and stretch your heart for a world hungry for hope.















Your Verse

Acts 10:9-16 - "Peter went up on the roof to pray... A voice told him, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean."

Supporting Scriptures

- Ephesians 2:14 "For he himself is our peace..."
- Galatians 3:28 "There is neither Jew nor Gentile... for you are all one in Christ Jesus."







Devotional: God's Vision Breaks Down Dividing Walls

In Acts 10, Peter's life is forever changed when he experiences a vision that challenges his Jewish upbringing and cultural norms. Up until this moment, Gentiles were considered outside the covenant God made with Israel, often excluded from the community of God's people. But God's message is clear: the barriers that separated people are being torn down. **God shows Peter that what He has made clean, no human should call impure**.

This vision is not just about clean and unclean animals—it symbolizes God's broader plan to bring people from every nation into His family. Often, our own prejudices or traditions can limit how we see others or who is 'worthy' of God's love. *Peter's vision invites us to see the gospel through a new lens—one of radical inclusion and grace.*

God calls us to embrace His expansive invitation, welcoming all who believe, regardless of background, culture, or status. As we begin this study, reflect on the walls in your own life that might need to come down, and invite the Holy Spirit to open your eyes to the vastness of God's kingdom.







Reflect and Apply

	What personal biases or barriers might be limiting your acceptance of others?
	How does Peter's vision challenge your understanding of who belongs in God's family?
	In what ways can you actively participate in welcoming those different from you?







Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time when your perspective on someone changed unexpectedly.
2.	List the 'walls' you feel God may be calling you to dismantle.
3.	Describe what inclusivity in your spiritual community looks like.







Prayer for Today

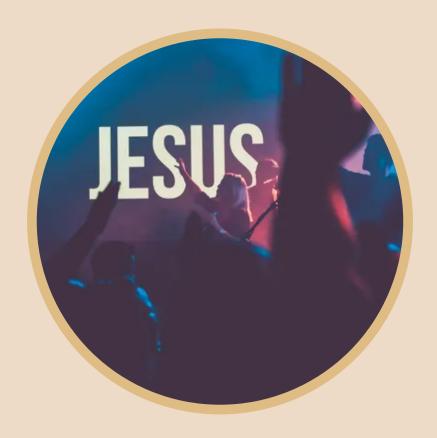
Lord, thank You for opening my eyes like You did Peter's. Help me to recognize any walls I have built that separate me from others. Give me courage to embrace Your inclusive love and to welcome all people as You do. Teach me to see beyond traditions and prejudices so that I may reflect Your heart for unity. May Your Spirit guide me in breaking down barriers and sharing Your gospel with boldness and grace. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*

















Day 2: OGod's Heart for Every Nation

Your Verse

Acts 10:34–35 – "God shows no favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right."

Supporting Scriptures

- John 3:16 "For God so loved the world..."
- Revelation 7:9 "A great multitude from every nation, tribe, people and language standing before the throne."







Day 2: OGod's Heart for Every Nation

Devotional: God's Inclusive Love Embraces All People

Peter's realization in Acts 10:34–35 reflects a profound truth: God's love and acceptance transcend national, ethnic, and cultural boundaries. **God desires relationship and righteousness from all peoples.** This was revolutionary for Peter, a Jew who had been taught to observe strict separations from Gentiles.

God's heart beats for the whole earth. From Genesis to Revelation, we see His plan to bless all nations through the Messiah. Jesus' life, death, and resurrection broke down the dividing walls, offering salvation to every nation and tribe. This truth is a decisive call for us to value and celebrate diversity within the body of Christ.

As we meditate on God's impartial acceptance, let's ask: How does this shape the way we view people from different backgrounds? Are we reflecting God's heart by loving inclusively? God invites us to join in His mission to reach the ends of the earth with His transforming grace.







Day 2: O God's Heart for Every Nation

Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you experience God's acceptance in your own life?
	In what ways can your community better reflect God's love for all nations?
	What fears or hesitations might prevent you from embracing God's global mission?
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Day 2: O God's Heart for Every Nation

Journaling Prompts

1.	Reflect on how knowing God accepts all nations has impacted your faith.
	Identify specific cultures or groups you feel called to pray for or reach out to.
3.	Write about what it means to you that God shows no favoritism.







Day 2: OGod's Heart for Every Nation

Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, I praise You for Your impartial love and acceptance. Help me to embrace Your heart for every nation and to see others as You see them. Remove any prejudices or barriers I hold onto. Empower me to love inclusively and to be a witness of Your grace to all people. May Your Kingdom be made known across every culture and language. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*





















Your Verse

Acts 10:44–48 – "While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message."

Supporting Scriptures

- Romans 10:12 "There is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all."
- 1 Corinthians 12:13 "For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body —whether Jews or Greeks..."







Devotional: Spirit Empowers Unity Through the Gospel

When Peter shared the gospel with Cornelius and his household, God's Spirit fell upon the Gentiles just as it had on Jewish believers. This moment testified that God's salvation is universally accessible and not confined by cultural or religious background.

The gospel breaks down barriers, uniting diverse peoples into one body through faith in Jesus Christ. Peter's initial hesitation mirrors many of our own struggles with reaching beyond comfort zones. But God's power and Spirit move first, softening hearts and proving His invitation is real and effective for all.

Think about the barriers you have witnessed or encountered that keep people from hearing or embracing the gospel. Are those barriers cultural, social, or personal? God's Spirit can surpass all these—inviting us to trust Him and move boldly into relationships that seem unlikely.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How have you experienced the gospel uniting people from different backgrounds?
2.	What hesitations do you have about sharing your faith with those unlike you?
3.	How can you encourage others to embrace God's inclusive kingdom?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you witnessed God breaking down cultural barriers.
2.	List ways you can participate in spreading the gospel beyond your community.
3.	Describe what it would look like to experience full unity in the church.







Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for the power of Your Holy Spirit to cross every barrier. Help me to rely on Your Spirit to lead me in sharing Your gospel without fear or limitation. Open the hearts of those who do not yet know You and help me to be an instrument of Your peace and love. May Your church reflect the beautiful unity found in Christ. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*







Day 4: 🂝 Embracing New Family in Christ









Day 4: 🎔 Embracing New Family in Christ

Your Verse

Ephesians 2:19 – "You are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people."

Supporting Scriptures

- Galatians 6:10 "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people..."
- Romans 12:5 "We, though many, form one body in Christ..."







Day 4: 🌣 Embracing New Family in Christ

Devotional: Welcoming All Into God's Family

God's family is not defined by ethnicity, nationality, or social status, but by faith in Jesus Christ. Ephesians 2:19 reminds believers that through Christ, we become **members of God's household**, enjoying fellowship as brothers and sisters regardless of prior division.

Peter's experience teaches us that embracing new members into the family of God requires humility, openness, and love. It is a joyous celebration when new brothers and sisters come into the fold, especially those who once seemed outsiders or strangers.

How can we practice this inclusion daily? It might mean welcoming a new neighbor, praying for unreached people, or actively participating in multicultural worship. Each act of kindness builds the unity Jesus prayed for and glorifies God's kingdom.







Day 4: 🌣 Embracing New Family in Christ

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does it mean to you to be a 'fellow citizen' in God's family?
	How do you currently welcome those who are different from you in your church or community?
3.	What steps can you take to foster deeper unity among believers?







Day 4: 🎔 Embracing New Family in Christ

Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe your own journey of becoming part of God's family.
	List ways your church/community could become more welcoming and inclusive.
3.	Write about a person you feel called to reach out to in love.







Day 4: 🌣 Embracing New Family in Christ

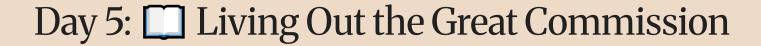
Prayer for Today

Father, thank You for making me part of Your family. Teach me to welcome others with the same grace and love You have shown me. Help me to break down walls of division and to extend Your invitation of belonging to all. May I be a reflection of Your inclusive kingdom, embracing all with open arms. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* (2) (1) (2) (2) (2) (3)

















Day 5: Living Out the Great Commission

Your Verse

Matthew 28:19-20 - "Go and make disciples of all nations..."

Supporting Scriptures

- Mark 16:15 "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."
- Romans 15:20 "And thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named..."







Day 5: Living Out the Great Commission

Devotional: Answering God's Call to Reach All Nations

The vision Peter received culminates in a call echoed throughout the New Testament: to take the gospel to all nations. The Great Commission, as recorded in Matthew 28, calls every believer to be a witness of Christ's love and salvation.

Our role transcends comfort zones and cultural preferences. We are commissioned to cross boundaries, share the gospel boldly, and nurture discipleship among all people. This mission reflects God's heart demonstrated in Acts 10, emphasizing a global and inclusive outreach.

Ask yourself: How am I embracing God's call to go beyond familiar communities? Is my lifestyle and prayer life aligned with reaching the unreached? Trust in God's guidance and empowerment to embrace the fullness of your call, knowing He equips every step.







Day 5: Day 5: Living Out the Great Commission

Reflect and Apply

1.	In what ways are you currently participating in the Great Commission?
2.	What cultural or personal barriers might God be asking you to overcome?
3.	How can you grow in boldness and love when sharing the gospel?







Day 5: Day 5: Living Out the Great Commission

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write down where God might be leading you to share His love.
2.	Reflect on how prayer supports your mission involvement.
3.	List creative ways you can engage with people from different backgrounds.







Day 5: Living Out the Great Commission

Prayer for Today

Lord, help me to embrace Your global mission. Equip me to share Your gospel with courage and compassion. Guide my steps to reach those far and near who need Your salvation. May my life reflect Your heart for all nations and bring glory to Your name. *In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.* (a)

















Your Verse

Revelation 7:9 - "A great multitude from every nation, tribe, people and language..."

Supporting Scriptures

- 1 Corinthians 12:12 "Just as a body, though one, has many parts..."
- Colossians 3:11 "Here there is no Gentile or Jew... but Christ is all."







Devotional: Celebrating God's Unified Diversity

The vision of heaven given in Revelation 7 paints a stunning picture: a multitude from every background worshiping God together in perfect unity. This diversity reflects the beauty of God's kingdom—a celebration of many cultures and languages, yet perfectly united in Christ.

Peter's experience reminds us that such diversity is not only welcomed but glorified by God. In the church today, we are called to mirror this heavenly image by embracing cultural differences and living in unity.

Unity does not mean uniformity. It means loving and serving one another across differences, celebrating unique gifts, and focusing on our shared identity in Christ. How can you foster this unity in your circles? What steps will you take to honor God's design for diversity?







Reflect and Apply

1.	What fears or prejudices could be hindering unity in your community?
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2. I	How do you personally contribute to or detract from unity in diversity?
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	What steps can you take to celebrate and uplift cultural diversity in your faith community?
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Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe a time you experienced beautiful unity amidst diverse people.
2.	List the unique gifts different cultures bring to the church.
3.	Write a prayer asking God to grow unity where you live.







Prayer for Today

God of all nations, thank You for the beautiful diversity in Your Kingdom. Help me to embrace and celebrate the differences among Your people. Teach me to foster unity that honors You and welcomes all. Remove barriers that divide us and fill us with Your Spirit's love and grace. May our communities reflect heaven's harmony. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*















Your Verse

Romans 15:7 - "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you..."

Supporting Scriptures

- John 13:34 "Love one another. As I have loved you..."
- 2 Corinthians 5:20 "We are therefore Christ's ambassadors..."







Devotional: Living as Ambassadors of God's Invitation

As we conclude this study, we reflect on our role as Christ's ambassadors tasked with accepting and loving others as He has loved us. God's invitation to every nation is ongoing and vibrant, extending through us to a world in need.

Living out this calling means demonstrating acceptance, grace, and love. It challenges us to grow beyond mere tolerance to radical hospitality and active engagement. When we accept others just as Christ accepted us, we build a community that mirrors heaven's welcome.

Consider how this study has reshaped your heart toward God's inclusive family. How will you intentionally live out this invitation? Let us finish with a heart ready to embrace all people, serving as beacons of God's eternal Kingdom.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How has your view of God's family expanded during this study?
2.	What practical steps will you take to reflect God's acceptance in daily life?
3.	How can you encourage others to join in God's mission for all nations?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write a personal commitment to live out God's inclusive love.
2.	Reflect on how God's acceptance has transformed you.
3.	List people or groups you will intentionally bless and welcome.







Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for accepting me and calling me to accept others.

Empower me as Your ambassador to reflect Your love boldly and humbly. Help me to build community that welcomes all, breaking down barriers with grace. Use me to spread the message of Your Kingdom and invite many into Your eternal family. *In Your holy name, Amen.* * Page 15.







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