

Acts 10:12

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth,
and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

Analysis

The sheet contained 'all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.' This comprehensive list covered all categories of unclean creatures. Nothing was excluded from the vision's scope.

Historical Context

The catalog echoes Genesis 1's categorization of animal life. The vision's comprehensiveness indicated no category of 'unclean' creatures - or peoples - remained excluded.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. What does the comprehensive list suggest about the scope of God's cleansing?

2. How does this vision prepare for the universality of the gospel?

Interlinear Text

ἐν	ὧ	ὑπῆρχεν	πάντα	τὰ	τετράποδα	τῆς		
Wherein	G3739	were	all manner	G3588	of fourfooted beasts	G3588		
G1722		G5225	G3956		G5074			
γῆς	καὶ	τὰ	θηρία	καὶ	τὰ	ἐρπετὰ	καὶ	τὰ
of the earth	and	G3588	wild beasts	and	G3588	creeping things	and	G3588
G1093	G2532		G2342	G2532		G2062	G2532	
πετεινὰ	τοῦ	οὐρανοῦ						
fowls	G3588	of the air						
G4071		G3772						

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