

# Acts 10:14

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean.

## Analysis

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Peter's protest - 'Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean' - showed sincere resistance based on lifelong obedience. The terms 'common' (koinon) and 'unclean' (akatharton) were distinct ceremonial categories.

## Historical Context

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Peter's resistance demonstrated genuine piety, not mere prejudice. His lifelong Torah-observance made the command genuinely shocking.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

## Study Questions

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1. When have your previous understandings needed correction by further revelation?
2. How does Peter's honest resistance model engaging with difficult divine commands?

## Interlinear Text

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ο	δὲ	Πέτρος	εἶπεν	Μηδαμῶς	κύριε	ὅτι	οὐδέποτε
G3588	But	Peter	said	Not so	Lord	for	never
G1161	G4074	G2036	G3365	G2962	G3754	G3763	
ἔφαγον	πᾶν	κοινὸν	ἢ	ἀκάθαρτον			
I have	any thing	that is common	or	unclean			
G5315	G3956	G2839	G2228	G169			

## Additional Cross-References

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**Leviticus 20:25** (Parallel theme): Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

**Ezekiel 4:14** (References Lord): Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth.

**Daniel 1:8** (Parallel theme): But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.