

Acts 10:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together. The casual conversation while entering demonstrates Peter's growing comfort with Gentile interaction, while the gathered crowd shows widespread spiritual hunger.

Historical Context

Peter's willingness to enter Gentile home marked dramatic departure from Jewish purity laws forbidding such association. The many gathered represented Cornelius's social network—Roman military colleagues, family, servants, friends. This cosmopolitan gathering in Caesarea around 40 CE created unprecedented audience for apostolic gospel—Gentiles hearing directly from Jesus' closest disciple about salvation through Christ.

Related Passages

Psalm 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does informal conversation facilitate building relationships across cultural divides?
2. What does the gathered crowd reveal about spiritual hunger in unexpected places?
3. In what ways does God prepare receptive audiences for gospel proclamation?
4. How should ministers adapt to diverse audiences while maintaining gospel integrity?
5. What role does social influence play in creating opportunities for mass evangelism?

Interlinear Text

καὶ συνομιλῶν αὐτῷ εἰσῆλθεν καὶ εύρισκει

And **as he talked** **with him** **he went in** **And** **found**

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συνεληλυθότας πολλούς

that were come together **many**

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Additional Cross-References

Acts 10:24 (Parallel theme): And the Morrow after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

John 4:35 (Parallel theme): Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

2 Corinthians 2:12 (Parallel theme): Furthermore, when I came to Troas to preach Christ's gospel, and a door was opened unto me of the Lord,