

Acts 10:33

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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Historical Context

Immediately reflects obedient responsiveness to divine direction. Thou hast well done acknowledges Peter's faithful compliance. We all here present before God indicates solemn awareness of divine presence and authority. This wasn't casual religious curiosity but serious spiritual seeking. The assembled company in Caesarea around 40 CE represented ideal evangelistic context—prepared hearts, expectant faith, gathered community, recognized authority—creating optimal conditions for Spirit's converting work.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. How does immediate obedience to divine direction demonstrate genuine faith?
2. What role does corporate gathering play in receiving gospel proclamation?
3. In what ways does consciousness of God's presence affect receptivity to His word?
4. How should audiences approach gospel teaching—casually or solemnly?
5. What does this passage teach about ideal conditions for effective evangelism?

Interlinear Text

ἐξαυτῆς	οὖν	ἔπεμψα	πρὸς	σέ	σύ	τε	καλῶς
Immediately	therefore	I sent	to	thee	thou	and	hast well
G1824	G3767	G3992	G4314	G4571	G4771	G5037	G2573

ἐποίησας	παραγενόμενος	νῦν	οὖν	πάντα	ἡμεῖς
done	that thou art come	Now	therefore	all	we
G4160	G3854	G3568	G3767	G3956	G2249

ἐνώπιον	τοῦ	Θεοῦ	πάρεσμεν	ἀκοῦσαι	πάντα	τὰ
before		God	are	to hear	all	
G1799	G3588	G2316	G3918	G191	G3956	G3588

προσ τεταγμένα	σοι	ὑπὸ	τοῦ	Θεοῦ
that are commanded	thee	of		God
G4367	G4671	G5259	G3588	G2316

Additional Cross-References

James 1:19 (Parallel theme): Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Galatians 4:14 (References God): And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus.

Acts 28:28 (References God): Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it.

Proverbs 1:5 (Parallel theme): A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

Proverbs 25:12 (Parallel theme): As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover upon an obedient ear.

Mark 10:15 (References God): Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

1 Corinthians 3:18 (Parallel theme): Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

Matthew 18:4 (Parallel theme): Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

James 1:21 (Parallel theme): Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

2 Chronicles 30:12 (References God): Also in Judah the hand of God was to give them one heart to do the commandment of the king and of the princes, by the word of the LORD.