

# **Grace Group Notes**

To be used in your Grace Group this week...

#### Outsiders are Welcomed In

Week of March 10, 2019

### Welcome

Let's get to know each other. You can use this question during your meal together.

• Did you grow up isolated from or associating with other ethnic groups? How much contact do you have with people from other ethnic groups today?

# Worship

Let's enter the presence of God together.

Songs led by worship leader or worship resource or read Psalm 150. Give Him praise.

## Word

Let's interact with God's Word.

#### Read Acts 10

- 1. \*Given Peter's experience in verses 9-23 and what you know of Cornelius, how do you think each man was feeling as they greeted one another?
- 2. Jews regarded even people like Cornelius as pagans, unless they fully submitted to Jewish practices (see 11:3). Hence, what would verse 28 have meant to Cornelius? Why is the story of Cornelius so important in Acts (vv. 28, 34-35, 43)?
- 3. In light of the astonished reaction of the Jews (v. 45), what did it mean that the Gentiles could speak in tongues?

## Witness

Let's focus on who we can reach out to.

Are there some people who would just assume that our church (or this Grace Group) is not for them? Are there some forms or practices we could change to remove those barriers?

<sup>\*</sup>Questions adapted from The Serendipity Bible, Zondervan Pub.