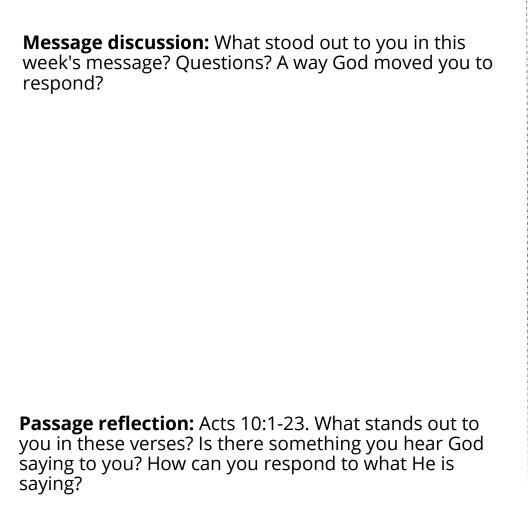


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And he (Peter) said to them, "You yourselves know that it is forbidden for a Jewish man to associate with or visit a foreigner; and yet God has shown me that I am not to call any person unholy or unclean."

1. Before Peter's vision and conversation with God, he viewed Gentiles as unclean and wouldn't associate with them. In our day, what groups are considered unclean and not to be associated with by some in the church?

2. Would you feel comfortable developing a genuine friendship with people in the LBGTQ community, with liberal democrats, or with undocumented immigrants? Why or why not?

3. God didn't call Peter to carry a protest sign in front of the unclean Gentile's home. Instead, He called him to enter Cornelius' home and fellowship with him. What is it about eating with people regularly that deepens the level of their relationship?

4. Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23. Jesus was a friend of sinners! We don't need a vision like Peter! have been commanded to cross moral and cultural barriers and love sinners. What would hinder you from developing a friendship with someone who doesn't believe what you believe? Will you surrender and ask God to change any heart issues that would hinder you from loving the "unclean?"