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**Your mission, should you
choose to accept it:
to engage and bless
our community
with the Gospel**





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Acts 10

In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius,
a centurion of the Italian Cohort. He was a devout
man who feared God with all his household;
he gave alms generously to the people and
prayed constantly to God.



~Acts 10:1-2

(Peter) said to them, “You yourselves know that it is improper for a Jew to associate with or to visit an outsider, but God has shown me that I should not call anyone common or unclean.



~Acts 10:28

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It is a serious thing to live in a society of possible gods and goddesses, to remember that the dullest most uninteresting person you can talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw them now, you would be strongly tempted to worship, or else a horror and a corruption such as you now meet, if at all, only in a nightmare. All day long we are, in some degree helping each other to one or the other of these destinations.

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It is in the light of these overwhelming possibilities, it is with the awe and the circumspection proper to them, that we should conduct all of our dealings with one another, all friendships, all loves, all play, all politics. There are no ordinary people. You have never talked to a mere mortal. Nations, cultures, arts, civilizations - these are mortal, and their life is to ours as the life of a gnat. But it is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub, and exploit .

~ C.S. Lewis, *The Weight of Glory*

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or to visit an outsider...



~Acts 10:28

For Christ himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one, and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility.



~Ephesians 2:14

They put (Jesus) to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day...



~Acts 10:39

The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God.



~Acts 10:45-46

**(But) I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me.**



~Philippians 4:13

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1. What prejudices did Peter and Cornelius have against each other? Are you limited in your obedience to God by any of these same prejudices?
2. Where is God calling you to what seems like a “mission impossible?” With what person, place, or action?
3. When was the last time you did something and realized “you didn’t have it in you,” but the Holy Spirit helped you do it?



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