

Group Conversation Guide

Week of July 23

SERIES: Ordinary People, Acts of God
TITLE: Divine Appointments
Scripture: Acts 10:1–48

BEFORE YOUR MEETING

- Watch or attend this week's message at Church at Viera: <https://churchatviera.com/live/>

BEGINNING THE CONVERSATION (ICEBREAKER)

- Have you ever had a conversation or met someone unexpectedly that you later realized was more than just a coincidence?

STUDY TOGETHER

God Is Already at Work Before We Arrive

Read Acts 10:1–8

Long before Peter arrived, God was already preparing Cornelius' heart.

God sets up divine appointments for us.

- Why do you think God prepared both Cornelius and Peter before bringing them together?
- How might God already be working in someone's life before you ever share Jesus?

God Changes Our Hearts Before He Changes Our Direction

Read Acts 10:9–16

Before Peter could reach new people, God first transformed Peter's heart.

- What stands out to you about Peter's vision?
- Why is it sometimes difficult to let go of assumptions or prejudices?

The Gospel Is for Everyone

Read Acts 10:34–43

Peter realized that God's grace is available to every person who believes in Jesus.

Read Galatians 3:26–28

Our identity is found in Christ, not in our background, ethnicity, social status, or past.

- What does it mean that God shows no partiality?
- How can our group reflect God's heart for all people?

Good Isn't Good Enough

Read Acts 10:36, 43

Good people don't go to heaven. Forgiven people do.

- How would you explain the difference between being good and being forgiven?

Living as Followers of Jesus

After Cornelius believed in Christ, his life reflected a growing relationship with God.

- **Fear God**
 - **Be Devoted**
 - **Read Psalm 37:5**
 - **Pray Regularly**
 - **Read John 10:27**
 - **Give Generously**
 - **Read Proverbs 11:24–25**
- Which of these areas do you sense God is inviting you to grow in?

Everyone Who Believes Receives the Holy Spirit

Read Acts 10:44–48

- Who has God placed in your life that you can encourage or point to Jesus?

WORSHIP TOGETHER

- **Available** – Elevation Worship: youtu.be/Xt5KtDIMI8M?si=RA7mCcxc4z6dHcOT

PRAYER TOGETHER

Pray for:

- Eyes to recognize God's divine appointments each day.
- Courage to share the Gospel with people God places in our path.
- Hearts free from favoritism or prejudice.
- A deeper commitment to fear God, follow His ways, pray faithfully, and live generously.
- Opportunities to introduce someone to the forgiveness found only in Jesus Christ.