

Don't Get In The Way of God's Grace

Acts 11

An Incredible Story You Have to Hear: **Acts 10 -11**

*** If you want more understanding or a deeper spiritual walk, _____**

*** If you want to see God work, _____**

*** If you want proof of God's work, look for _____**

Two Observations:

**[1] We need to regularly come back to the _____
_____for all people**

[2] If God is putting someone on our heart, he is probably _____

For further thought:

Growing up, can you think of a time when you saw someone who was usually on the fringe accepted or included because of the efforts of one person reaching out?

It's no surprise that it can be challenging to reach out to or accept those who are different or have a belief system contrary to our own. Read 1 Timothy 1:12-16. How does the Apostle Paul's understanding of his past and what God did for him impact his viewpoint of others?

Living alongside those who are opposing God can be tricky. How do we honor God and reach out at the same time? Daniel is an amazing example of someone who did just that. He found himself in a situation where the government system and ruler were completely opposed to God. As you read part of Daniel's story in Daniel 6:1-5 what are some of the ways he continued to have influence in this kind of hostile environment?

Can you think of what it would look like for a person to have influence like Daniel in a modern-day workplace, school or home that is closed off to God and His plan?

What instructions does Jesus give us in Matthew 5:43-46 when it comes to inviting and welcoming everyone?

What are some potential reasons that make it difficult to follow these instructions?