

<sup>34</sup>So Peter opened his mouth and said:  
 “Truly I understand that God shows  
 no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation  
 anyone who fears Him and does what  
 is right is acceptable to Him. <sup>36</sup>As for  
 the word that He sent to Israel,  
 preaching good news of peace through  
 Jesus Christ (He is Lord of all),

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<sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened  
 throughout all Judea, beginning from  
 Galilee after the baptism that John  
 proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus  
 of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and  
 with power. He went about doing good  
 and healing all who were oppressed by  
 the devil, for God was with Him.

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<sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that He  
 did both in the country of the Jews and  
 in Jerusalem. They put Him to death by  
 hanging Him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised  
 Him on the third day and made Him to  
 appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us  
 who had been chosen by God as  
 witnesses, who ate and drank with Him  
 after He rose from the dead.

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<sup>42</sup>And He commanded us to preach to  
 the people and to testify that He is the  
 One appointed by God to be Judge of  
 the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To Him all the  
 prophets bear witness that everyone  
 who believes in Him receives  
 forgiveness of sins through His name.”

—Acts 10:34-43 ESV

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“Christianity is in its very essence a  
 resurrection religion. The concept of  
 resurrection lies at its heart. If you  
 remove it, Christianity is destroyed.”

—John Stott

“The Gospels do not explain the  
 Resurrection; the Resurrection explains  
 the Gospels. Belief in the Resurrection is  
 not an appendage to the Christian faith; it  
 is the Christian faith.” —John S. Whale

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“Christianity begins where religion  
 ends... with the resurrection!”

—Ken Whitten

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<sup>1</sup>In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, <sup>2</sup>until the day when He was taken up, after He had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom He had chosen. <sup>3</sup>He presented Himself alive to them after His suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. —Acts 1:1-3 ESV

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Acts 2:22-24 | Acts 3:15, 26  
Acts 4:10, 33 | Acts 5:30

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“Jesus lived, died, rose again  
and gives life to all who believe.”

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## A Tale of Two Cities

Acts 10:1-22

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Caesarea        | Joppa             |
| Cornelius       | Peter             |
| Respectable     | Zealous           |
| Gentile Soldier | Jewish Apostle    |
| Rome            | Jerusalem         |
| “God-Fearer”    | “Christ-Follower” |

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“The emphasis is that Cornelius’ gentile nationality is acceptable so that he has no need to become a Jew but not that his own righteousness was significant so that he did not need to become a Christian.” —John Stott

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Acts 10:36

You Can Know and Experience  
Peace in a Troubled World

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Jesus is the Peace-Maker

<sup>19</sup>For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

—Colossians 1:19-20 ESV

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. —Romans 5:1 ESV

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Jesus is the Peace-Keeper

I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.

—John 16:33 ESV

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

—Philippians 4:7 ESV

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Acts 10:38

You Can Know and Experience Power  
in This Life Through Jesus' Name

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The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

—John 10:10 ESV

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Acts 10:38

You Can Know and Experience the  
Presence of Christ With You Today

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#Hope

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Acts 10:42-43

You Can Know and Experience Pardon  
Through the Finished Work of Christ

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To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name. —Acts 10:43 ESV

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“My argument against God was that the universe seemed so cruel and unjust. But how had I got this idea of just and unjust? A man does not call a line crooked unless he has some idea of a straight line. What I was comparing this universe to and calling it unjust?

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Of course I could have given up my idea of justice by saying it was nothing but a private idea of my own. But if I did that, then my argument against God collapsed too—for the argument depended on saying that the world was really unjust... Thus in the very act of trying to prove that God did not exist—that the whole of reality was senseless—

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I found I was forced to assume one part of reality—namely my idea of justice—was full of sense. Consequently atheism turns out to be too simple. If the whole universe has not meaning, we should never have found out it has meaning...

—C.S. Lewis

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For Christ also suffered once for  
sins, the righteous for the  
unrighteous, that He might bring us  
to God, being put to death in the  
flesh but made alive in the spirit.

—1 Peter 3:18 ESV

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But, in fact, Christ has been  
raised from the dead.

—1 Corinthians 15:20a ESV

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Why Should the Resurrection Matter to You?

Peace—Power—Presence—Pardon

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