

# **WELCOME**

**to the**

## **Champaign Alliance Church**

**We are glad that you could join us today!**

**To prepare our hearts and minds for the message,  
today's text will be: **ACTS 10:1-20****

# **“PREPARATION FOR TRANSFORMATION”**

**Acts 10:1-21**

**Transformation is synonymous with terms like regeneration, renewal, or rebirth.**

**Transformation of the heart does not originate with the person rather it originates with God.**

“An Example of a  
Transformation in Process”

Sunday, April 30, 2006

Text: Acts 10:22-48

The word transformation is synonymous with the word regeneration, renewal or rebirth. Regeneration literally means a “new birth.”  
salvation.

**I. Obedience to the Lord (vs 21-32)**

A. Peter **OBEYS** (vs. 21-23)

B. Cornelius **OBEYED** (vs. 24-33)

C. Their obedient faith in **ACTION** (vs. 28-33)

**II. Understanding Gods truth (vs. 34-43)**

A. Many people have **HEAD KNOWLEDGE** of God (vs. 34-38)

1. Just having knowledge does not equal salvation (vs. 34-35)

2. Many people know about Jesus Christ (vs. 36)

3. They know about the changes Jesus brought (vs. 37-38)

# I. Cornelius's Preparation (vs. 1-8)

A. He was a good **SOLDIER** (vs. 1-8)

B. He was **GOD CONSCIOUS** (vs. 2)

C. He encountered **GOD'S MESSENGER**  
(vs. 3-6)

D. He responded with **OBEDIENCE**  
(vs. 7-8)

## II. Peter's Preparation (vs. 9-21)

A. God **USES** people who **WALK WITH** Him (vs. 9)

B. God **PREPARES** His people (vs. 10-16)

C. God's **PLANS** don't always fit **OUR IDEAS** (vs. 17-20)

D. God's people **OBEY** Him (vs. 21)

B. A relationship is **MORE** than mere **KNOWLEDGE** (vs. 39-43)

Each component is **critical** to the gospel.

1) Everyone

2) Believes

3) Receives

### **III. Astonishing transformation seen (vs. 44-48)**

A. God comes with **POWER** (vs. 44)

B. Those watching are **ASTONISHED** (vs. 45)

C. True transformation is **AMAZING** (vs. 45-48)

1. Gift of the Holy Spirit is given

2. Visible signs were given

3. Baptism was offered

4. Fellowship took place

**CONCLUSION:**

# III. God's sovereign preparation still takes place today

A. God *PREPARES* hearts to be *TRANSFORMED*

B. God *PREPARES* individuals to *TELL* others how to be *TRANSFORMED*

**CONCLUSION**