

Sermon Title: Now What?!: No matter your bias

Scripture: Acts 10

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- Speaker Name: Justin Chandler 1. Are there certain attitudes or beliefs that your parents had or that you had as a child that you no longer have? 2. What kind of man was Cornelius? What do we learn about him and his household in Acts 10:1-2? 3. How did God prepare Peter to take the gospel to Cornelius? Why was this necessary? 4. God gives Peter a command in Acts 10:13. Peter tells God "by no means" (essentially "no") in Acts 10:14. Why did Peter tell God "no"? Have you ever responded to God in this way? 5. Explain the significance of God's statements to Peter in Acts 10:15. What does this mean for the future of the church and future Christians? 6. We, like Peter (Acts 10:28-29), each have explicit biases (a conscious attitude and belief about a person or group) and implicit biases (outside a person's consciousness; may directly contradict stated beliefs and values). How has God or others revealed this truth about you? How is God continuing to soften your heart toward others? 7. What can you use from Peter's message to Cornelius (Acts 10:34-43) to share the gospel with people you know?
- 9. What are some other examples from the book of Acts in which God brought seeking people into contact with the gospel?

8. Peter reports to the church in Acts 11:1-18. Notice how quickly God has transformed his heart and response toward the Gentiles. Do you know anyone who would be (or has been) transformed similarly? Would you (or have you)?

10. How will you make yourself available to God this week to talk to others about Him and His salvation?