The Gospel According to Peter (Gentile Pentecost)

Acts 10:34-48

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All man are bad- let's just admit it. (Genesis 6:5-6)

Fallen pride yields societal heartbreak.

Creating our own personal echo chamber. (Romans 3:9-12)

We are all one in Christ. (Galatians 3:28)

God does not show Partiality v 34-35

One race doesn't have an advantage over another. (Deut. 10:17-19)

"God's choice of Israel was an act of grace, not of partiality, and that it called for a response of obedient service, not of careless complacency." FF Bruce

All the families of the earth would be blessed though Abraham's seed.

God's Word/Message to Israel v 36

God sent the message to his people, for the world.

They were ambassadors of good news, not hoarders of the good news. Romans 2:9-11

God's Message is Peace. v 36

Reconciliation with God and therefore with others.

Peace through the Lord Jesus Christ. (Luke 2:30-32; Isaiah 52:10)

History of the Gospel v 37-41

The gospel happened in the life, death, resurrection of Jesus Christ.

<u>Jesus' life</u>

Baptised and anointed v 37

He did good v 38

Jesus' death, on a tree (cross) v 39

Deuteronomy 21:23, Acts 5:30, Galatians 3:13

Jesus' resurrection v 40

He was made visible to witnesses. (Luke 24:36-43; John 20:24-29)

We had table fellowship with him after his resurrection, v 41

Jesus' Command v 42

We are to preach Jesus, to proclaim his life, death and resurrection.

Acts 17:30-31, Isaiah 45:22.

Gentile Pentecost v 44-46

- 1) The preaching of Jesus.
- 2) The presence of the Holy Spirit, known through signs.
- 3) The evidence of genuine faith
- 4) The sign of baptism
- 5) The hunger for fellowship.

Gentiles were being welcomed by God as children of Abraham, <u>not by circumcision or law-keeping, but</u> <u>by faith alone.</u>