

Assignments on Acts 11

Read Acts 11 then answer these questions:

1. Who confronted Peter, and what did they question him about – 11:1-3?
 2. Summarize Peter's vision – 11:5-10.
 3. What did the Spirit then tell Peter – 11:11,12?
 4. How many disciples went with Peter to see Cornelius?
 5. What had the angel told Cornelius – 11:13,14?
 6. What can we learn about the importance of hearing the gospel from v14?
 7. What was the final supernatural event that Peter described – 11:15? (Think: What is meant by the expression "at the beginning"?)
 8. To what promise did Peter connect this event (11:16), and where else have we studied this promise? (Think: What do you conclude about the nature of the event that occurred? How many baptisms did Cornelius receive?)
9. **Special Assignment:** Summarize the four supernatural events on which Peter based his conclusion. (Think: What was the purpose of Holy Spirit baptism in this case?)
10. What conclusion did Peter and the other Jews reach – 11:17,18?
11. **Bonus Assignment:** Define "necessary inference." How does the story of Cornelius illustrate this teaching method? How important is the conclusion that was reached by this method, and what would be the consequence if someone rejected the conclusion?

12. What group of Christians does the account return to discussing in 11:19? (Think: What passage records this group being scattered?)

13. Where did they preach (see *map*) and to whom did they preach?

14. Who preached to a different group of people (see *map*), and to whom did they preach – 11:20? (Think: What connection does this have to the story of Cornelius?)

15. Where did this happen, and what was the result – 11:20,21? (Think: What is meant by “turning to the Lord”?)

16. Who heard about this preaching, and what did they do about it – 11:22?

17. Where else have we read about Barnabas? In what events was he involved?

18. What can we learn about church cooperation in evangelism from this passage? (Think: Should churches establish centralized missionary societies to supervise the sending and support of preachers in foreign fields? Explain.)

19. What did Barnabas do at Antioch – 11:23? (Think: How can a person see God’s grace?)

20. List the characteristics of Barnabas (11:24) and explain them.

21. What was the effect of his work?

22. Where did Barnabas go, and for what purpose – 11:25? (Think: What earlier story also involved these same two men?)

23. What work did these two men do together in Antioch – 11:26? (Think: What can we learn about the work of the church?)

24. What term was first used for disciples at Antioch? List other **passages** that refer to this term.

25. **Special Assignment:** Some people claim that the term “Christian” was not used till about 100 AD or not until the middle ages. The Book of Mormon says it was used in America in 73 BC. Explain what can we learn about these ideas from Acts 11.

26. Who came to Antioch, and from where did they come – 11:27?

27. Who made a specific prediction, and what did he predict – 11:28? (Think: Where else will we read about this man?)

28. What did the church decide to do about this problem – 11:29? How did each person decide the amount to give?

29. To whom was the money sent, and how was it sent – 11:30? (Think: Was Jerusalem the only church in Judea at this time? How do you know?)

30. List other **passages** in which a church(es) sent money to another church(es).

31. **Application:** List several principles about how churches got their money and/or about guidelines for churches when sending money to other churches. (Think: May churches donate to institutions such as orphan homes or widow homes? Should churches send donations to one eldership for them to supervise caring for needy people on behalf of the sending churches?)