## **The Amazing Invitation**

**Hebrews 2: 1-6** 

Jonah 1: 1-

Matt. 16: 17 who do men say that I the son of man am? "Thou art the Christ the Son of the living God"

Jesus said, "Simon Bar-Jonah..."

Here in Acts 10 we have the son of Jonah in Joppa being told, like Jonah to go to these evil, cruel Gentile Romans how to come to God through Jesus the Christ.

Acts 10: 1-

## I. By Invitation only

The issue is the invitation. God's wedding feast is by invitation only. When Jesus came He said to John, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." This was an open door to God but He sent his messengers to personally invite the individuals to the eternal celebration.

That is what we have here. Up to this point God had centered His work on one group of people, the Israelites, but now, He would extend the invitation to the rest of the world.

## II. By God's Frustration only

Sons of Noah

HAM/SHIM/JAPETH

## III. By Grace only

The intent was to go to the Gentiles eventually:

Matt. 28: 18

Acts 2: 8

But God saw Cornelius and sent the messenger to the man to give him special invitation to the Eternal Celebration!

Ephesians 2: 1-

But by invitation only! You are being invited to come to the Eternal Celebration!

Rev. 7: 9 "...I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindred's, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes and palms in their hands:"

Rev. 22: 17 "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come, And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will let him take the water of life freely."

We do not know why God so loved so but we are grateful to be the recipient of such love....

The invitation has been given, what will you do with this invitation?

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