





Acts 9:31-32 31Then
the churches
throughout all Judea,
Galilee, and Samaria
had peace and were
edified. And walking in
the fear of the Lord and
in the comfort of the
Holy Spirit, they were
multiplied. 32Now it
came to pass, as Peter
went through all parts
of the country, that he
also came down to the
saints who dwelt in
Lydda.

- What is the fear of the Lord?
- What do we know about Lydda?
- Who are the saints?
- What shift in behavior of Peter do we see in vs. 32?

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Acts 9:33-35 ³³There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed. ³⁴And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus the Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed." Then he arose immediately. ³⁵So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.

- What do we know of Aeneas?
- What part did Aeneas play in his healing?
- What does it mean to make your bed?
- Why did Peter stress the healing was in the name of Jesus Christ?
- Who did the people turn to after seeing the healed man?
- What does it mean to turn to God?

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Acts 9:36-38 ³⁶At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. ³⁷But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. ³⁸And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them.

- What do we know about Joppa?
- What do we know about Dorcus?
- Why was Dorcus not immediately buried as per Jewish custom?
- For what reason was Dorcus raised?

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Acts 9:39-40 39 Then Peter
arose and went with them.
When he had come, they
brought him to the upper
room. And all the widows
stood by him weeping,
showing the tunics and
garments which Dorcas
had made while she was
with them. 40But Peter put
them all out and knelt
down and prayed. And
turning to the body
he said, "Tabitha, arise."
And she opened her eyes,
and when she saw Peter
she sat up.

- Was Dorcus resurrected?
- Why raise Dorcus from the dead and not others like Stephen?
- Why aren't all the sick healed and the dead resuscitation? Why just these two people out of all the others?

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Acts 9:41-43. ⁴¹Then he gave her *his* hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. ⁴²And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord. ⁴³So it was that he stayed many days in Joppa with Simon, a tanner.

 What indication do we have that Peter is moving away from strict

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■ Wrap up and Closing Prayer