

Bias Dispelled

I. The Report 11:1-2

A. The "big news" : "G_____ had also received the word of God." v.1

B. Those who were " _____" took issue with Peter

1. Peter went to visit " _____" men

2. and _____ with them.

II. Peter's Defense 11:3-14

A. Peter's Vision vv. 5-11

B. Peter's leading by the Holy Spirit v. 12

C. The report of angelic leading v. 13

Side Discussion: Simon's name: "Peter" **Mt. 16:18**

Consider: Geography of the Land: *Caesarea Philippi*

Issue: *Is Peter the "rock"?*

Note: Play-on-words: "Peter" = _____ "rock"= _____

D. Peter's "incomplete" sermon v. 14-15

Divine Interruption: "The Holy Spirit _____ upon them." (v. 15)

Background: John's Baptism comp. w/ Jesus' Baptism (Mt. 3)

E. Gentiles received the same gift! v. 17

III. Conclusions

A. God offers salvation to everyone---regardless of background

B. Every believer has access to the same Holy Spirit

C. To go against the terms of the Gospel is to "stand in _____'s" way."