



## Acts: Aeneas & Tabitha

March 29

**INTRODUCTION:** Acts: *Jesus' work, through the Apostles and disciples, by the Holy Spirit, to fulfil Acts 1:8.* The Church is now pushing the bounds of witness from Judea and Samaria (Acts 1:8) to Galilee and the coastal plain.

**KEY POINT:** signs and conversions, expansion

**A.M. SERMON RECAP** (1 Cor 9:22b)

- Why was Paul speaking about his 'rights'?
- Why must we seek to relate to unbelievers for the Gospel?
- How can we build bridges for the Gospel?

**P.M. SERMON RECAP** (Acts 9:19b–31)

- How is mission evidence of Saul's conversion?
- What is striking of Saul's ministry?
- Is it wrong to seek to avoid persecution?
- How did Barnabas live up to His name?
- What do we learn of the picture in v. 31?

**READ:** Acts 9:32–43

### QUESTIONS:

1. *Our passage rewinds from Saul's conversion and ministry to resume the timeline with Peter's wider ministry. Paul was the subject of an important conversion that would aid Gentile mission; Peter is the agent that brings about a conversion leading to Gentile mission.*
2. *Previously confined to Jerusalem because of persecution, now because of peace Peter itinerates (v. 32).*
3. *Both Lydda and Joppa were strategic locations.*



4. **What was the twofold mission of his trip? How ought this to be our mission too?**
5. **V.33- Who was Aeneas?**
6. **V. 36- Who was Tabitha? (Dorcas= gazelle)**
  - a. *Though already a believer her healing leads others to faith.*
  - b. What is special about her?
7. **How do both miracles show/follow:**

	Aeneas	Tabitha
<b>Jesus' examples</b>	v. 34 (Mk 2:11)	v. 40 (Mk 5:41)
<b>Jesus' power</b>	v. 34	v. 40
<b>Jesus salvation</b>	v. 34 (same as Resurrection)	v. 40 (same as Resurrection)
<b>Jesus' glory</b>	v. 35	v. 42 <i>all= many, majority, crowd</i>

8. **Again, what is the purpose of signs?**
9. **How does this story advance the narrative and ready us for ch. 10?**

**NEXT:** April 5- Peter's Report, Acts 11:1–18