

God's Vision for All People

Everyday Supernatural Living – Part 19

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Pray Daily for your Five Friends Focus

Revelation 7:9 (ESV) After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,

2 Peter 3:9 (ESV) The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

John 3:16 (ESV) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

1. Understand God's _____ Vision

Acts 11:2–3 (ESV) So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them."

Acts 11:12 (ESV) And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house.

Acts 11:15–16 (ESV) As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

Acts 11:17 (ESV) If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"

2. Welcome _____ Fellowship

Acts 11:18 (ESV) When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

Acts 11:20–21 (ESV) But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord.

Acts 11:23 (ESV) When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose,

Acts 11:26 (ESV) and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.

3. Actively Participate in God's _____

Acts 11:27–28 (ESV) Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius).

Acts 11:29 (ESV) So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea.

Acts 11:30 (ESV) And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

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Intro. How should this picture of the church in heaven influence our vision today (Revelation 7:9)?

What is God's will and vision for all people (2 Peter 3:9)? Why will many not be saved?

What motivates God's vision (John 3:16)?

How should our vision for the future impact our decisions?

1A. Why were the Jews upset with Peter (Acts 11:2-3)?

1B. What did the Holy Spirit tell Peter to do (Acts 11:12)?

1C. How did Peter realize that the Gentiles had been Spirit baptized (Acts 11:15-16, 10:46)?

1D. Why is Spirit baptism evidence that someone is saved (Acts 11:17)?

1E. Why is it so important to understand and live like the Gospel is for everyone?

2A. What convinced the Jews in Jerusalem that the Gentiles were saved (Acts 11:18)?

2B. How did the understanding that the Gospel was for Gentiles result in action (Acts 11:20-21)? What was God's response?

2C. How did Barnabus help with the new believers (Acts 11:23)?

2D. What is significant about people referring to the new believers as Christians (Acts 11:26)?

2E. Why is it important that we seek to build our church as a diverse church?

3A. What is significant about the presence of prophets in the New Testament church (Acts 11:27-28)?

3B. What do the gifts that the Antioch believers sent to the Jewish believers in Judea tell us about them (11:29-30)?

3C. Why is it essential for our church to support missions around the world?