

## *SG Study Guide- After the Potluck 13 (Acts 11:1-30)*

### **1. Keep in step with the Holy Spirit. (11:1-18)**

- Discuss the challenge of Peter's vision. How would God's call radically change his religion and/or philosophical view of life?
- What was the greater message of Peter's vision?
- Can you think of and/or share a time that God spoke to you and asked you to radically reshape your worldview?
- V-17: Peter realized it was both wrong and futile to stand in the way of God. Can you think of a time you have done this or almost done this? Share and discuss.
- Discuss the statement: *Being uncomfortable for God does not mean we have to become unbiblical?* Discuss the difference between good changes for God vs. bad changes for culture.

### **2. The blessings of the Spirit led church. (11:19-30)**

#### *1) The Spirit led church reaches the lost.*

- Discuss the meaning of the "hand of the Lord."
- How have you felt the blessing of *God's hand* upon your life? Share specific examples.
- How does Acts 11:19-21 teach the *head* and *heart* knowledge of salvation?

#### *2) The Spirit led church makes disciples of Jesus Christ.*

- How does the modern church do at making disciples?
- Do you think the modern church has diminished the educational aspect of discipleship? Why or why not?
- Antioch was a pagan place and discipleship was vital. How does this compare to our lives today in America?

#### *3) The Spirit led church generously loves God and people.*

- How does Acts 11:27-30 teach the need for us to love God, love people, reach the lost and make disciples?
- Also, what does this passage teach us about Christian generosity? Discuss "according to ability" and giving "to the elders" via Saul and Barnabas.