

# THE IMPARTIAL GOD

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## INTRODUCTION

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**TEXT:** *"Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is acceptable to him."*  
(Acts 10:35-36).

- A. The turning point of the Great Commission and growth of Christianity is found in Acts 10.
    - 1. The story of Cornelius.
    - 2. God's way of preparing Peter...the vision that he saw.
  - B. This opened the door to the Gentile world.
    - 1. Here is a truth that was hard for the Jews to understand.
    - 2. *"For there is no respect of persons with God"* (Romans 2;11).
  - C. Impartiality is a trait of character to be admired in a parent, in a teacher, in a business manager, or a person of any calling. It is a necessary qualification of a judge. No amount of knowledge or ability can substitute for it. Yet, it is a rare quality...so seldom found.
  - D. The text speaks of the impartiality of God. Because all men are his creatures, he must make no difference in them. We shall note some instances of his impartiality.
  - E. What a blessing it is for us to know that we have an "Impartial God".
    - 1. Demands the same of all men.
    - 2. Let us consider some of the areas of God's Impartial dealing with man.
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## ALL UNDER SIN

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- A. GOD HAS DECLARED ALL UNDER SIN. (Romans 3:23).
    - 1. Sons of men justify this declaration that they admit they are sinners.
  - B. The Sins Of God's Most Faithful Servants Are Not Concealed:
    - 1. Abraham
    - 2. Moses, etc.
    - 3. Though David was a man "after God's own heart," his sins are recorded.
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## A COMMON SAVIOR

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- A. Jesus is **not** the Savior of a particular race or class of people. He died for all (John 3:16).
  - B. The gospel is a universal there, the Great Commission is world wide (Mat. 28:19-29).
  - C. Jesus, the great sower, scatters seed upon every kind of soil. (Matt. 13;1ff).
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**SAME INVITATION**

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- A. The Same Invitation Is Extended To All:
1. To the weary and heavy laden. (Mat. 11:28)
  2. To the thirsty (Jn. 7:37)
  3. To all who will come (Rev. 22:17)
- B. No man who responds will be rejected. (John 6:37).
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**SAME CONDITIONS**

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- A. The same conditions of pardon are required of all.
- B. Man-made religions frame the conditions of salvation in favor of self; rich; powerful; sects; area; country, etc.
- C. But God has one plan for all (Acts 2:38; 17:30; Rom. 10:12-13).
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**One Standard of Conduct**

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- A. There is one standard of conduct for all.
1. Man has various standards.
  2. A man has one standard for himself, another for his fellows.
  3. One for a church leader, another for the non-leader.
- B. If we are not careful we set the standards that we think men ought to follow.
- C. But God, in his Book, has made no difference.
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**A Common Church For All**

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- A. The Lord did not build a church for each Race, or Class, or Fancy of man.
- B. The word church, when used in the universal sense, is always in the singular number. (Mat. 16:18; Col 1:18).
- C. In Christ Jesus, all distinctions are erased. (Gal. 3:26-28).
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**The Manner Of Judgment**

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- A. In The manner of Judging (I Peter 1:17).
1. He will not judge the people as nations, or as a class, but as individuals (Romans 14:12).
  2. He will not judge man according to his wealth or influence, but according to his deeds. (II Cor. 5:10).

**B. CONCLUSION:**

The impartiality of God not only reveals something of the character of God; it also tells us something about men...that all men are equal. While God is no respecter of persons, he is a respecter of character. (I Pet. 3:12; Acts 10:34,35).

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