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#### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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PETER PREACHING TO THE GENTILES.

Acts 10, 30-48.

1.—Hitherto the Gospel had been restricted to the Jews and Jewish proselytes, with the exception of the mission to the Samaritans. In many prophecies of the Old Testament the Gentiles were to be called, and be partakers of the privileges connected with the coming of the Messiah, and Jesus Christ Himself made this plain in the instructions to His disciples (Matt. xxviii. 19; Luke xxiv. 47). But even the aposties, until this special revelation to Peter, seem to have clung to the ordinary Jewish view that this admission of the Gentiles was to be effected through Judaism. Even after these remarkable events in our lesson, a section of the Jewish Christians clung to this idea, who were called, " they that were of the circumcision" (Chap. xi. 2, etc.); by the same laws of courtesy which and numerous contentions arose out

There were difficulties in the reception of this truth, which only a Divine revelation could overcome. Circumcision was of God, and the uncircumcised were commanded to and a purse what you deny to wobe cut off from among His people: manhood? That is the very essence be cut off from among His people: the Law of Moses was of Divine or igin; Jesus Himself had said that He came, not to destroy the Law but to fulfill it; and all their national prejudices as Jews were enlisted in the maintenance of the opinion that they were the peculiar people of God. Hence it was necessary that believers should be taught, by a di-rect example, that the law of Moses | toward the girl in your kitchen? was fulfilled in Christ; that the legal restrictions were now abolished and that the Gentiles, without circumcision, were admissible into the kingdom of God.

Peter's remarkable vision scarcely needs comment. Connected with the summons to go to Cornelius, the Divine intentions respecting the Gentiles became so clear to Peter. that he unhesitatingly went with the messengers, taking with him some members of the Church of Joppa. On arriving he refused to receive the lowly obeisance with which Cornelius greeted him, at once showing that he discarded the old notion of Jewish superiority, and was prepared to meet the Gentiles on equal

2.—The character of Cornelius is fully described (verse 2, 22). There is a striking resemblance to the centurion in Capernaum, whose servant Jesus Christ healed (Luke vii. 1-10). Both were, through association with to such an extent that they were believers in, and worshippers of the true God. They seemed to have simply embraced the Divine truth which lay at the foundation of Judaism, without conforming to the system in all its details. They were convinced up to a certain point, and seeking for further light. This is engaged in private devotion when the angel appeared. There can be little doubt that this was a real appearance of an angel, not a mere dream. It was not in the night, nor was Cornelius asleep. His description of the angel agrees exactly with that given of those who appeared on the morning of the resurrection (Luke xxvi. 4; Mark xvi. 5). It is a proof of the thorough humility of Cornelius that he at once acted on the angel's message. Human wisdom would suggest that the heavenly visitant would have been a much more appropriate teacher for this Roman officer than a Galilean fisherman, from a humble tanner's house at Joppa. But this is only another instance, out of many, in which God chooses what this world calls the weak and foolish, to

instruct the great and wise. 3.—This simple narrative of Cornelius, in connection with the revelation to Peter himself, made his course quite clear. It was his duty to declare the Gospel as fully to this company of Gentiles as to his own people. He prefaces his discourse with the statement that he now perceived, as never before, that God is no respecter of persons. The opening statement (verse 35) calls for special remark. The words contain a broad declaration of God's gracious purposes towards men; but must not be so perverted to mean that salvation is obtainable apart from Christ, as some have understood them. God is as graciously disposed to the sincere and right minded who endeavor to live up to the light they possess in one nation as another; and wherever such persons are found they will not be left without means of bring. ing them to the knowledge of the truth. This is a very different doctrine from that which teaches that it does not matter what a man believes

if his life is only right. 4.—Before Peter had finished speaking, to the amazement of those who had come with him, the Holy Ghost fell on the assembly, and the same signs were witnessed as they had been familiar with. This was a plain proof to the Jews present, that the Gentiles were accepted to the same privileges as themselves, and Peter's proposal that the converts should be forthwith baptized, shows that it was so understood; but it is also proof that the faith of Peter's hearers was kindled into vigorous exercise .- Abridged from the W. M.

#### COURTESY TO SERVANTS.

The servant's right to be politely reated is just as absolute and indefeasible as that of the Queen. She is the child of the Great King, and to her applies the royal law, according to the Scripture, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." The law, which is the highest of all, surely includes politeness. If we are bound to love our neighbors as ourselves, we are bound to treat them courteously at any rate. That is one of the first and the most rudimental of our duties to them. Your servant,dear madam,is your neighborthe nearest of all your neighbors. She has a right, then, under this royal law-which is itself the spirit of all just laws-to be courteously treated by you. It is no more condescension for you to use respect and gentleness in your intercourse with her than it is for her to sweep your floors and build your fires. You are entitled to no more credit, for speak ing kindly to her than you are for not stealing her pocket handkerchiefs. If you do not govern yourself in all your conversation with her you observe in your conversation with the callers in your parlor, you are a very vulgar person. The maid in your kitchen is a woman; the guest in the parlor is nothing more. Will you give to silks and feathers of vulgarity. Do not say that the guest never tries your temper as the servant does. You know that many of those whom you greet with smiles, tell lies about you when they are beyoud your sight. The laws of good manners lead you to treat their deceitfulness with forbearance. Should

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