



BOAT AND OARSMEN, JAFFA.—“There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band, a devout man and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people and prayed to God alway. He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day, an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius. And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it Lord. And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa. I call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter. He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the seaside, he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.”—Acts 10:1-6. It was upon this visit of Peter to Joppa, that he saw “the heavens opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet, knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth, where-

in were all manner of four-footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things and fowls of the air. And there came a voice to him, Rise Peter, kill, and eat. But Peter said, Not so, Lord, for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean. And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common. This was done thrice, and the vessel was received up again into heaven.” It was in this way that God taught Peter that He was no respecter of persons. “But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.” It was at this time that the Holy Ghost was poured out upon the Gentiles, and Cornelius was baptized. As illust. “We of this visit of St. Peter to Jaffa, we give a picture of a boat and oarsmen, by which we can see how travelers are brought from the great ships which anchor out in the sea to the shore.”

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