

**ACTS 10 – PRESENCE, PROCLAMATION,
PRACTICALITY**
Big Church, Pt. 7

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2. PROCLAMATION (OF THE GOSPEL)

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- b. Luke’s retelling is expert eyewitness testimony.
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*He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God (follow Jesus).*
 - ii. Cornelius fulfills this requirement.
 - iii. Luke fulfills this requirement.
 - iv. Gospel is for all who fulfill this requirement!
- c. Gospel according to Peter in this account:
 - i. Jesus is Messiah (according to Scripture – all of Scripture).
 - ii. Jesus died for sin – forgiven and now righteous judge (Jesus is our advocate – hallelujah!)
 - iii. We (disciples – Peter’s band and us) are His witnesses.

3. PRACTICALITY

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- b. Who is your Cornelius?
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