



## ***“The Conversion of Cornelius” Part 2***

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***Introduction*** – *The story of Cornelius’ conversion reveals two main things that follow every conversion to Christ.*

### ***I. An Internal Spiritual Realization.***

A. Conversion happens when we believe in Jesus and receive the Holy Spirit.

B. Jesus said that it is the Holy Spirit who gives us new spiritual birth (John 3:3-8).

C. The apostle Paul echoes that truth in (Titus 3:3-7)

D. Note when the Holy Spirit “fell upon them” (Acts 10:44)

E. We see the same pattern in (Ephesians 1:13-14).

### ***II. External Physical Manifestations.***

A. Those who are truly converted by the Holy Spirit will manifest two responses.

B. First, each believer is given a spiritual gift(s) from the Holy Spirit to minister to others and glorify God.  
(I Corinthians 12:4-7) (I Peter 4:10)

C. Cornelius and those with him were given the gift of speaking in tongues.

D. What does that mean?

1. Note the frequency in Acts.

2. Miraculously, they spoke in other recognized languages.

3. This was a recapitulation of Pentecost for the Gentiles.

E. Second, the Holy Spirit is manifested in our worship.

1. Everyone worships something.

2. The Holy Spirit dramatically changes what you worship and why.

F. The apostle Paul mentions other manifestations of the Holy Spirit seen in the lives of people converted to Christ, like the fruit of the Spirit.  
(Galatians 5:22-23)

### ***Conclusion.***