

# **The Acts of the Apostles**

## **Act 8**

### **The Spirit pours out on The Gentiles**

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*Acts 1:8* "...you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth"

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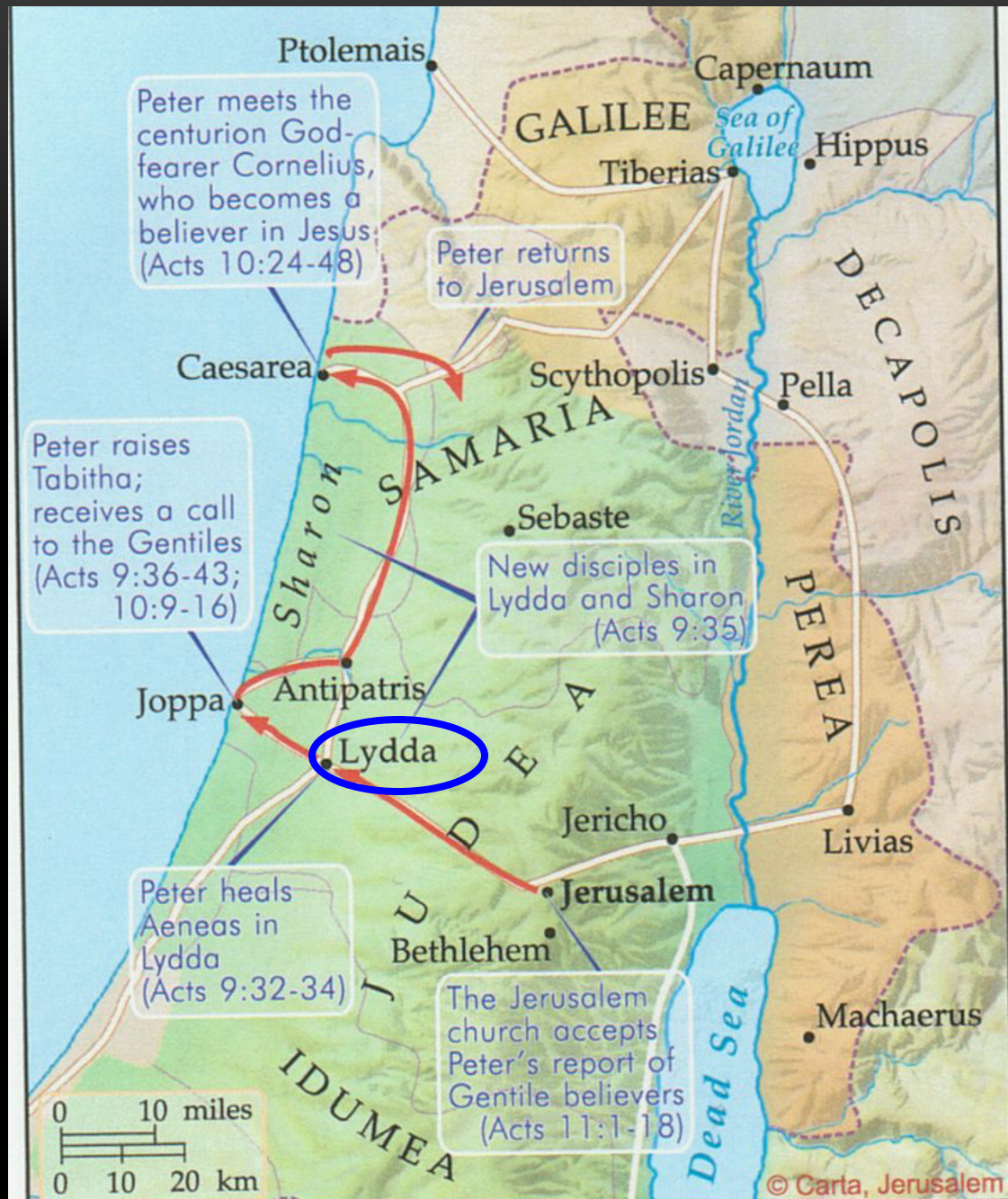
## Three Stories:

1. *A Healing*
  2. *A Resurrection*
  3. *A Dual Conversion*
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## The healing of Aneas the Paralytic

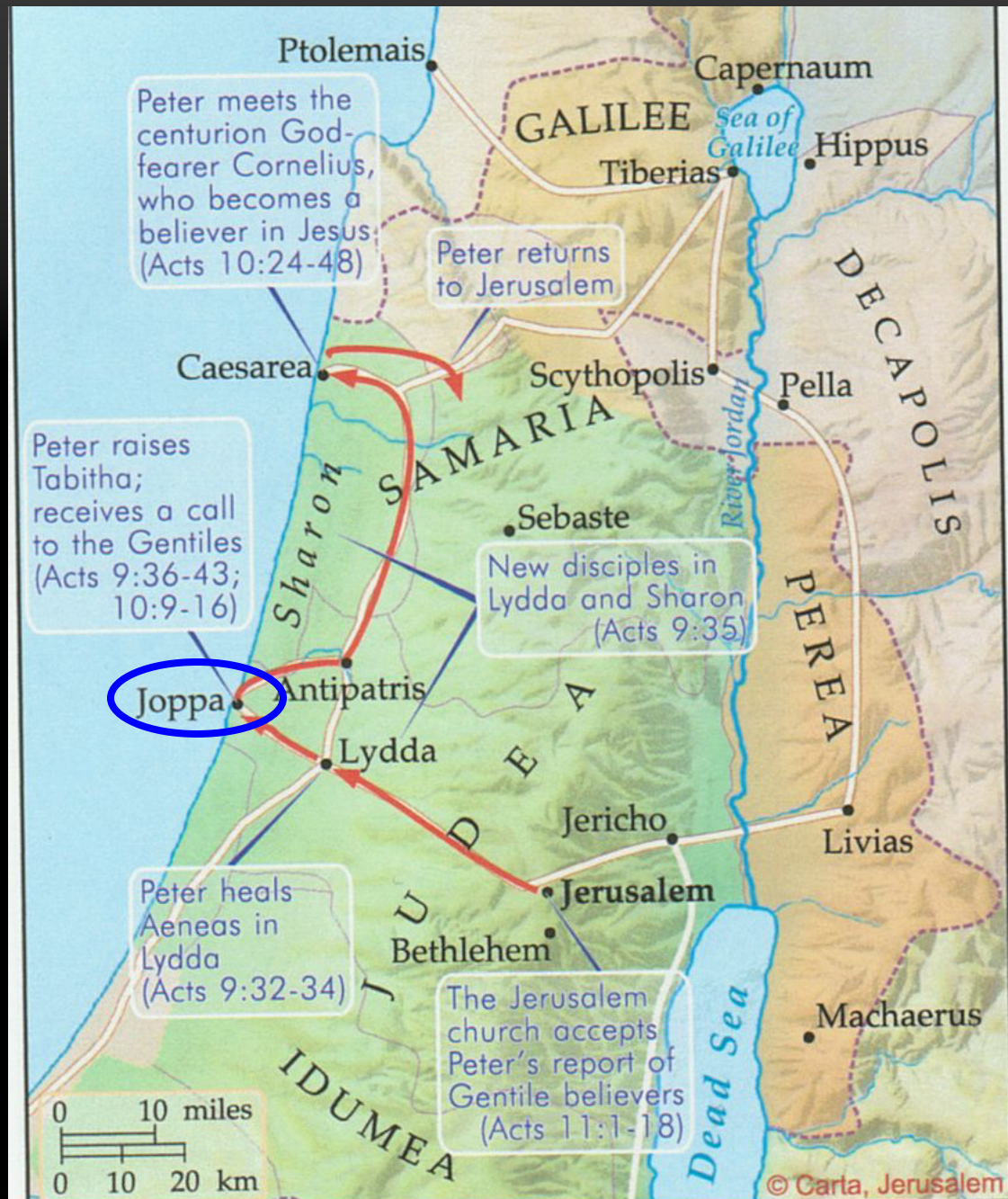
*Acts 9: 32-35*



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## Tabitha is Resurrected

*Acts 9: 36-43*



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**Psalm 68:5** A father to the **fatherless**, a defender of **widows**, is God in his holy dwelling.

**Isaiah 10:1-2** Woe to those who make unjust laws, to those who issue oppressive decrees, <sup>2</sup> to deprive the **poor** of their rights and withhold justice from **the oppressed** of my people, making **widows** their prey and robbing the fatherless.

**Malachi 3:5** “I will be quick to testify against ....those who defraud **laborers** of their wages, who oppress the **widows** and the **fatherless**, and deprive the **foreigners** among you of justice.

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## A Dual Conversion

*Cornelius' Vision: Acts 10: 1-6*

*Peter's Vision : Acts 10: 11-20*

*Preaching and Conversion: Acts 10: 25-48*

# Caesarea



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## Why Cornelius?

*Centurion of the Italian Battalion*

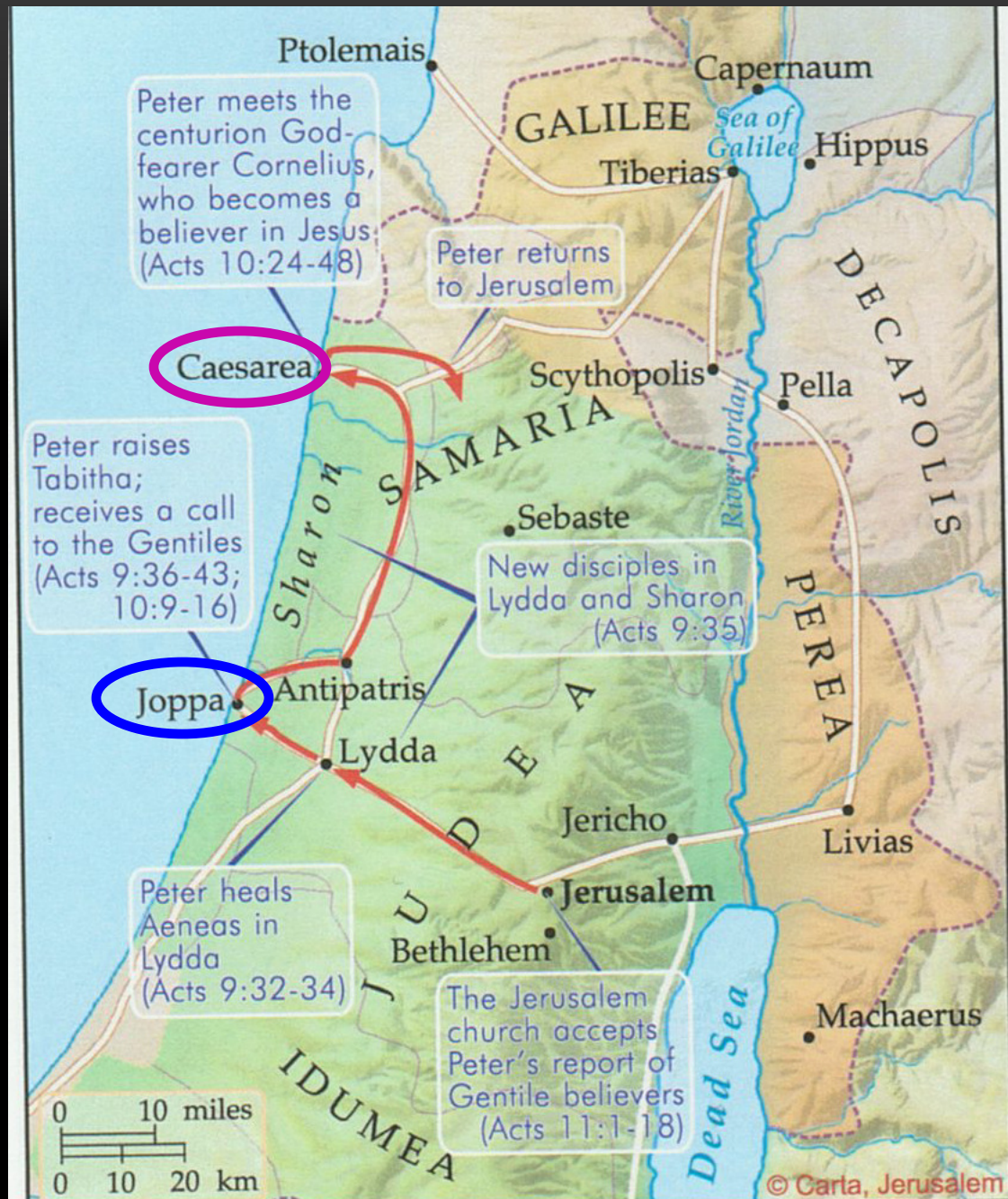
*Devout and God Fearing*

*Gave Alms and Prayers Continually*

*Well respected by the all the Jews*

*Yet a Foreigner – could not worship at Temple*

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Why Peter?

*Why not Phillip?*

*Why not Paul?*

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## Closing thoughts:

- 1. God is impartial... let's be that way too.*
  - 2. Use the Resources God has Given you*
  - 3. Align with God's heart:  
the weak, the poor and the foreigner*
  - 4. When we do these things the Kingdom will grow*
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