Questions on Acts chapter 11

1. What is meant by the “circumcision” and why would they object to the conversion of the Gentiles? Verses 1-3.

2. How does Peter propose to overcome the prejudice of the Jewish brethren? Verse 4.

3. Does this agree with the account in Acts chapter 10? How is it more vivid than Acts 10:11? Verse 5.

4. As Peter considered the vision, what did he see, hear, and say? Verses 6-9.

5. How is this description more vivid than that in Acts 10:16? Verse 10.

6. How many Jewish brethren went with Peter to Caesarea and what do you now think was Peter’s purpose in taking them? Verses 11-12.

7. How did Cornelius know to send for the apostle Peter? Verse 13.

8. How would Peter’s coming to Caesarea be the answer to Cornelius’ prayer? Verse 14.

9. What beginning is referred to and who is the “us” upon whom the Holy Spirit fell? Verse 15.

10. How do we know the Gentiles received the baptismal measure of the Holy Spirit and not another measure? Verse 16.

11. If Peter could not withstand God, what is the implication concerning others who opposed accepting the Gentiles? Verse 17.

12. How was the response of the Jewish brethren wonderful and how is their response an example for us today? Verse 18.

13. What was sounded out simultaneously from Jerusalem to all surrounding provinces? Verse 19.

14. To what does the phrase “some of them” refer? Verse 20.

15. What is the turning point in the plan of salvation? Verse 21. (See Acts 3:19 in the American Standard Version)

16. Why was Jerusalem still the chief center of religious influence? Verse 22.

17. For what purpose was Barnabas sent to Antioch? Verse 23.

18. Why was Barnabas the right man to send to a congregation of new converts? What success did he have? Verse 24.

19. How far was Tarsus from Antioch? Verse 25.

20. Can you see any connection between Saul’s being at Antioch for a whole year (with Gentiles) and the reason he was chosen by God? Verse 26. (See Acts 9:15)

21. Did the early church really have prophets? If so, what was their purpose and why don’t we have them today? Verse 27. (See Ephesians 4:11-13)

22. How accurate was the prophecy of Agabus? Verse 28.

23. How much confidence did the early church have in the prophecy of Agabus? Verse 29.

24. What are elders and what is their work? Verse 30.