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Acts 10-11



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1. The issue is not sincerity, but reality.
2. It's not the sincerity of our faith, but the object of our faith that really matters.



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Two different ways we use “belief” & “faith”

- 1. Mental belief**
- 2. Practical faith**



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Roman army

- **Centuries – 100 men**
- **Co-horts – 6 Centuries (600 men)**
- **Legions – 10 Co-horts (6,000 men)**

1. He was a model of religious respectability.

- He was sincere – *“a devout man who feared God.”*
- He was sacrificial – *“gave much alms to the people.”*
- He was searching – *“prayed to God always.”*



save

/sāv/

verb (past tense: saved)

- To deliver or protect – heal, preserve, do well, be (make) whole
- To rescue

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1. He was a model of religious respectability.
2. He knew that his religious devotion was not enough to merit salvation.
3. He was not left to wonder - God led him to the truth.

What is the key that brings us to genuine salvation and relationship with God?

“Whosoever ***believeth*** in him ***shall receive forgiveness of sins.***”

Acts 10:43