

## Getting the Facts Straight

Acts 11:1-18a

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### 1. Be careful what you say!

People do n\_\_\_ always get the facts straight, but they sure d\_\_\_ spread it! We have need to pray Psalm 19:14 c\_\_\_\_\_. (Mat.12:34)

### 2. Be careful how you hear!

This was the truth, but they didn't hear it in its context as it was b\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord. (Act.11:1)

A partial-truth received as the w\_\_\_\_\_ truth is often an un-truth.

### 3. It is foolish to oppose some things without hearing all the facts.

This is not always true – a\_\_\_\_\_, h\_\_\_\_\_

Seek to hear the whole matter before you j\_\_\_\_\_ it. (Act.11:1-3; Pro.18:13)

It is now our privilege as believers (k\_\_\_\_ unto our God) to search out and get the facts straight. (Pro.25:2; Rev.1:5-6)

### 4. We are to judge, but to judge righteous judgment!

We are to judge but not without getting the s\_\_\_\_\_ and prejudices out of our own eyes. T\_\_\_\_\_ we can see clearly to judge others' real needs. (Mat.7:1-6; Joh.7:24)

Get the facts straight in their c\_\_\_\_\_! (Act.11:4)

Hear the facts over and over. R\_\_\_\_\_ is one of the best teachers. (Act.11:4-17)

### 5. We can't expect people to change their views without hearing God's Word accurately proclaimed.

God does n\_\_\_ bypass our minds. We m\_\_\_\_\_ be taught the truth. (Mat.28:20; 2Ti.2:15; 4:2; Act.11:4-17)

When you genuinely respond to the Lord with the light that He has given, He will give you m\_\_\_\_\_. (Isa.55:6-7)

### 6. It is around the truth of God that the Lord's people worship, practice and are unified.

We cannot worship a\_\_\_\_\_ apart from having the facts (truth) straight. (Joh.4:23-24)

We cannot live a life p\_\_\_\_\_ to God without having the facts straight. (Joh.17:17; Eph.4:17-24; 2Jo.1:4)

We cannot be in true Christian u\_\_\_\_\_ without getting God's facts straight. (Eph.4:12-13)

God's Word s\_\_\_\_\_ the matter, brought peace among the brethren, and led them to glorify God. It will for us t\_\_\_! (Act.11:18; 2Ti.3:16-17)

May God give us a heart to meditate, hear, and speak in a way that would bring peace among the saints and glory to God.

Sinner, You may justify yourself before yourself and others, but you won't be able to before the Lord! Jesus Christ is our only peace before God. Trust in Him.