Ground-Breaking News: Acts 11:1-30

Faithful to the End: Acts
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The good news of Jesus blazes new trails by crossing ethnic/geographic boundaries through God's Spirit.

1. The Defense of the Gospel: God includes both believing Gentiles and Jews as Christians, 11:1-18

- a. The sequence of God-orchestrated events, 11:1-15 our best defense when being criticized or questioned = our actions align with God's commands
- b. The acceptance of God-granted faith, 11:16-18 once we recognize that God is at work, who are we to stand in his way?

2. The Advance of the Gospel: God enables the Jewish and Gentile Christians to bless each other, 11:19-30

a. The evidence of a flourishing Christian presence with Jews and Gentiles, 11:19-26

as a direct result of the persecution that the church endured, the gospel continues to be proclaimed beyond Jerusalem to both Jews and Gentiles through faithful, unnamed believers (not apostles/leaders)

b. The expression of a grateful Christian faith from Gentiles to Jews, 11:27-30 authentic faith steps up whenever there's an opportunity to give to others just as we have received from many