

Questions for Study and Application:

1. Historians and theologians say the changes taking place today are equal to the changes that took place during the Protestant Reformation. Do you agree? What evidence do you see?
2. Briefly recap the story in Acts 10. How is Cornelius described? Why is it significant that he was a Roman soldier?
3. Read Leviticus 11:4-7, 13-19. Given these laws, how do you think Peter felt when the angel told him to eat the animals on the sheet?
4. Read Acts 10:27-28. Why is Peter's statement significant? What has changed between Leviticus 11 and Acts 10 that would allow Peter to associate with a Gentile?
5. What did Kory explain is the difference between *essentials of the faith* and the *expressions of faith*? Name some of each. Which are more significant changes?
6. Were the changes Peter underwent *essentials* or *expressions*?
7. Look at the list of five characteristics that shaped the Millennials and the chart on the first page. How do these characteristics shape the faith of the Millennials?
8. In what ways are these characteristics good? Not good?
9. What expressions of faith might the church need to change in order to reach this generation?
10. What do you think will be the particular dangers or temptations of the Millennial Generation?

If you consider yourself a Millennial:

11. How will you safeguard your faith through these dangers?
12. How can you learn from the older generations? What steps will you take?

If you are from another generation:

13. What can you and your generation provide to the Millennials?
14. What can you and your generation learn from the Millennial Generation? What steps will you take to do so?



Millennial Shift

	Builders	Boomers	Gen X	Millennial
Shaping Event	Depression, World Wars	Vietnam/Growing Affluence	Fall of Berlin Wall	911
Media	Radio	TV	Cable TV	On Demand
Corporate Personality	Determination/Commitment	Individuality	Cynical/Forgotten	Diversity
Pace	Slow	Steady	Fast	Exponential
Music	Gershwin, Glen Miller	Elvis, Beatles	Nirvana, Michael Jackson	Urban/Hip Hop, Electronic
Fear	Communism	Authority	Nuclear War	Exclusivity
Source of Pride	God and Country	Affluence	Counter-culture	Acceptance of Diversity
Relationships	Private	Transitional	Deep	Open
Communication	Letter	Phone	Cell Phone	Texting, Skype, Facebook
View of the Church	Denominational Stable Institutional	Non-denominational Celebrative High Quality	Skeptical, Is it necessary?	Archaic, Irrelevant

Sermon Notes:

Before the Reformation, owning a copy of the _____ was illegal.

_____ found things in Scripture that didn't line up with the practices of the Church.

The Reformation was made possible by the invention of the _____.

Many historians and theologians believe we were undergoing change that rivals the _____.

- From the _____ world to the _____ world.

What has shaped the Millennial Generation? (appx. ages 27 and under)

1. Exponential growth in _____.
2. Seemingly unlimited _____.
 - For the Boomers it was TV, for Millennials it's "_____."
3. _____ village.
 - The greatest sin is not _____ someone.
4. Millennials are _____-minded.
 - Like the Builders, are more likely to sacrifice personal goals for the _____.
 - Are more interested in building the _____ than building a local church or denomination.

5. They are _____, but not _____.

Scripture: Acts 10

Cornelius was a _____ - _____. (vs. 2)

- He gave _____ and _____ regularly.
- Believed in one _____, but didn't want to follow the whole Jewish Law.

Visiting _____ was something good Jews didn't do. (vs 28)

The story is about how God works in and through people we may not _____.

- Cornelius needed to hear the rest of the _____.

Ministering to and with Millennials:

1. Don't be quick to _____.
 - Learn to separate _____ from _____.
2. Embrace good _____.
3. Be open to _____.
 - The key is _____.