

A Seeker of the Truth

Nicolas was the first Gentile mentioned by name to have obeyed the gospel of Jesus Christ (Acts 6:3). Previously, Nicolas turned from paganism to Judaism. Thus, he turned from superstition and immorality to the worship and service of the true and living God, Who had revealed Himself to Israel (Deut 4:6-8). He became a practicing Jew, which meant that he was in Jerusalem at least three times a year (Exo 23:17).

Nicolas must have been among the international crowd of Jewish worshippers on Pentecost (Acts 2:5). He was moved emotionally and intellectually by the preaching of the gospel. Along with about three thousand others, he changed his mind and his course of life, confessed his faith in Jesus Christ and was baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:36-41).

What an exciting conversion out of the wilderness of religious confusion! We admire Nicolas. He grew up amid Gentile idolatry, converted to Judaism, and then became a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ. He became a Christian.

Nicolas was truly was a “good” man, willing to be led by “the Spirit” (Acts 6:3)! Having been in two religions, he was again willing to change when faced with the truth. He finally discovered that “the truth is in Jesus” (Eph 4:21). Nicolas had the spirit of a truth seeker (Acts 17:11; 22:10).

In seeking to be right with God, we too must be willing to change wherever we err from the truth (John 1:17; 12:48). A good and honest heart will diligently seek and follow the word of Christ wherever it may lead (Matt 5:6, 8; Lk 8:15; 2 Tim 2:15).

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