

ACTS 15-1

"THE COUNCIL AT JERUSALEM"

READ Acts 15:1-41

1. What was meaningful to you in last week's lesson?

- ## DAY 2 REVIEW Acts 15:1-11

- 3.a. What were the men from Judea teaching regarding circumcision?
- b. Why do you think this brought dispute from Paul and Barnabas from these Scripture references?
Ephesians 2:8-9

Galatians 5:6

Galatians 3:3
- 4.a. From Galatians 2:1-3, how long had Paul been preaching to the Gentiles before his trip to Jerusalem?
- b. Why was he going to Jerusalem to check his doctrine?
- c. What do you think is the value of periodically examining your beliefs against the Word of God?

DAY 2 (Continued) REVIEW Acts 15:1-11

5. In Acts 15:3, what message did Paul share as he traveled to Jerusalem?
6. Envision the reception they received in Jerusalem.
 - a. How do you think the meeting was beneficial to all?
 - b. How do you react to news from your church missionaries?
- 7.a. After much discussion about circumcision of the Gentiles, Peter stated –
... God demonstrated acceptance of the Gentiles by what?

... He made no distinction. Why?

... We are all saved. How?
 - b. According to verse 10, what were they trying to do to the new believers?
8. This chapter examines Christian freedom. What was Paul's point in Galatians 5:1-2?

DAY 3 REVIEW Acts 15:12-21

9. Paul added testimony by reporting what?
10. In quoting the prophet Amos (9:11,12), what did James confirm about God's knowledge of the Gentiles?
- 11.a. In verse 19, what was James' judgment?
 - b. How can we avoid making it hard for others to grow spiritually?
12. What was James' concession to the Jews?

DAY 4 REVIEW Acts 15:22-35

13. Who was in the delegation returning to Antioch?
14. In the letter:
 - a. How was the letter's authority confirmed?
 - b. What became of the circumcision issue?
- 15.a. How was the letter received?
 - b. Share a personal experience of an encouraging letter.
16. From Acts 15:32-33, what do we know about Judas and Silas?

DAY 5 REVIEW Acts 15:36-41

- 17.a. What was Paul's plan for a second missionary journey?
 - b. What issue brought disagreement between Paul and Barnabas?
 - c. How did they resolve it?
18. Consider conflict/disagreement between Christians.
 - a. Discuss with your group how you think putting distance between the two in conflict is a help or a hindrance. Note what you'd like to share.
 - b. From these Scriptures, how can we deal with conflict?
Matthew 5:23-24

Galatians 6:10

Philippians 2:3-4

Colossians 3:13

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS:

HISTORY NOTES: See peopleoftheword.online (Archive)
John Newton 1642-1727

Francois Fenelon 1651-1715