

## Jerusalem Council Part One - Acts 15:1-12

- **Three Important Observations**

1. Antioch of S\_\_\_\_\_ was replacing J\_\_\_\_\_ as the center of C\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Jewish believers with great s\_\_\_\_\_, with a desire for ethnic p\_\_\_\_\_, and/or with a sense of s\_\_\_\_\_ were convinced that Gentiles needed to be circumcised in order to be saved.
3. This caused great d\_\_\_\_\_ and d\_\_\_\_\_ in both c\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 15:2 and 7).

- **The Central Question Asked Three Ways**

1. Do G\_\_\_\_\_ need to be c\_\_\_\_\_ in order to be Christians?
2. Do Christians have to keep the c\_\_\_\_\_ l\_\_\_\_\_ in order to be saved?
3. Are we saved by g\_\_\_\_\_ through f\_\_\_\_\_ alone?

- **Peter's Clear Answer**

1. C\_\_\_\_\_ and his c\_\_\_\_\_ were not circumcised.
2. The H\_\_\_\_\_ S\_\_\_\_\_ came upon them just as He came upon u\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Keeping the ceremonial law has been a g\_\_\_\_\_ b\_\_\_\_\_ for us (Galatians 2:16).
4. Jews and Gentiles are saved by g\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 15:11) through f\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 15: 7 and 9, Ephesians 2:8-9).
5. Paul and Barnabas v\_\_\_\_\_ Peter's answer by relating what God did with G\_\_\_\_\_ on their missionary journey (Acts 13:12 and 43-47, 14:1).

- **Three Other Important Lessons**

1. Churches are not i\_\_\_\_\_ but i\_\_\_\_\_.
2. E\_\_\_\_\_ are r\_\_\_\_\_ the church alongside the a\_\_\_\_\_  
(Acts 11:30, 14:23, 15:2, 4, 6, and 22).
3. God s\_\_\_\_\_ works as the gospel is p\_\_\_\_\_. He  
chooses the p\_\_\_\_\_, the a\_\_\_\_\_, the  
m\_\_\_\_\_, and the r\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 15:7-9).