

THE JERUSALEM COUNCIL

ACTS 15: 1-21

1. INTRODUCTION2. THE DISSENSION (vv. 1-5)3. THE DISCUSSION (vv. 6-18)4. THE DECISION (vv. 19-21).**Discussion Questions**

1. Why were the Judaizers so insistent that Gentile converts must come thru Judaism to get to Christianity?

2. What could have happened to Christianity had not Peter, Paul & Barnabas, and James brought their case before the Jerusalem Council?

3. Peter refers to a “yoke” being used by legalists. What was he trying to point out here? (Matthew 23:4; Luke 11:46).

4. Amos 9:11-12 is quoted by James in vv.16-17. Look at Isaiah 11:10; Isaiah 60:5 and Isaiah 66:23. What similarities do you see?

5. After listening to this message do you have more empathy for why the Jews had a difficult time with “grace”? What does this say about the heart of God? Has God abandoned Israel with the “New Covenant”?

“Behold the proud, his soul is not upright in him; but the just shall live by his faith”
Habakkuk 2:4

