



## Peacemaking

### Sermon Questions

**Date:** February 28, 2021 | **Scripture:** Acts 15:1-35

1. Read Acts 15:12-21. We didn't read this in the service, so what stands out to you?
2. Have you experienced conflict in a church? Share as much as you're comfortable with – what was the conflict over? How was it handled? What was the outcome?
3. Read Acts 15:1. The Pharisee party were advocating for faith plus circumcision as the way to earn salvation. Have you heard this message (faith + something else = salvation) from the church, either within the Capital Pres family or outside of it?
4. Read Acts 15:5-20 again. Describe the process by which the apostles and elders sought to resolve the conflict at hand.
5. Are we making it hard for people who are not like us to hear the Gospel? What are areas our church family can grow in extending our welcome to **all** people?

### Inward Grace in Action

The questions below are a little more intimate and are meant to be discussed with a trusted friend or partner.

1. Have you been personally hurt by conflict in a church? Spend time talking about this honestly with your partner. Pray for one another.
2. Reflect on your own heart – what do you add on to the gospel? In other words, what is a prerequisite for someone to experience grace from you?

### WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Acts 15
- Amos 9:11-15
- Isaiah 2:1-5
- James 4:1-12
- Galatians 5
- 2 Corinthians 5

Listen to the Unwavering worship playlist on Spotify.

Reach out if you need assistance during this time:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund at [deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org](mailto:deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org)

You can also find additional resources on our website: [capitalpres.org](http://capitalpres.org).