

Sermon Notes

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Can you change the recipe and still have a flavorful dish? The answer may not be as simple as a straight-forward “yes” or “no”. When it comes to food, it is often possible to alter the recipe and still have a good dish. What about the gospel? Is salvation by grace through faith alone in Christ alone, or is it grace through faith plus something else? That is the questions that is addressed in Acts 15, and that is the question we consider today. Grace alone through faith alone is non-negotiable; it is the essential ingredient of the gospel. It is to be defended at all cost. Grace is also the essential ingredient in maintaining fellowship within the church. It is to be displayed in every aspect of our relationship with others.

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Use this guide to help you reflect upon and internalize today's passage and message! Using a journal or a notebook, follow the daily prompts below. We also use these guides to guide our discussions in our Life Groups each week as we seek to grow together in the Word!

Sunday

In your journal, reflect on today's sermon by answering the following:

I never knew:

I was challenged:

I was reminded:

I was convicted:

A question I still have:

A truth I could share:

Know

Monday

Spend some time today doing the following:

Read the sermon passage again.

Select a portion of this week's sermon passage to memorize this week.

Write your selected portion and read it to yourself at least 10 times throughout the day and meditate on that portion this week.

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Tuesday

In your journal, spend some time writing about the following:

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Write a prayer of response, specifically guided by the passage.

(May include adoration, confession/repentance, thanksgiving, petition, etc...)

Continue to meditate on a memorize the selection you chose from yesterday.

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Wednesday

Think about this week's questions for group discussion:

What are some things that our culture tends to want to add to grace in the "gospel recipe"? What are some things you tend to add?

How does the *doing* of missions seem to affect the *knowing* of doctrine in this debate in Acts 15? Why was that first missionary journey perspective so important?

How does this passage show why doctrine matters? How are you growing in doctrine, or right knowing? What is one commitment you could make?

Be > Do

Thursday

In your journal, spend some time considering the following:

What insights have you gained while internalizing this week's passage?

How specifically will you seek to apply its truths in your home/workplace/life in general?

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