

The Life of the Apostle Peter
Study # 42 D Final Study
The Jerusalem Council
(Acts 15:1-35)

INTRODUCTION

- I. The Confrontations (1-5)**
 - A. In Antioch (1-3)**
 - 1. The Dispute (1-2A)**
 - a. The Confusion (1) (Gal. 2:12; Gen. 17:14; Acts 15:24)**
(Messengers, Misinformation, Message)
 - b. The Challenge (2A; 2 Tim. 4:7; 1 Tim. 1:18; 6:12)**
 - 2. The Determination (2B)**
(The Men, The Mission)
 - 3. The Departure (3)**
 - a. Their Provision (1 Cor. 9:13-14; Mt. 10:5-10; Lk. 10:4-8; Gal. 6:6; 3 Jn. 5-8)**
 - b. Their Preaching (8:5 ff.; 11:19)**
 - B. In Jerusalem (4-5)**
 - 1. Their Declaration (4)**
The Reception (Acts 20:38), The Report
 - 2. Their Detractors (5)**
The Identity, The Insistence (Gal. 5:3; Heb. 10:19 ff.)
- II. The Council (6-21)**
 - A. A Private Meeting (6-11)**
 - 1. The Delegation (6)**
 - 2. The Disputing (7A)**
 - 3. The Declaration (7B-11)**
 - a. The Choice (7B)**
 - 1) Concerning the Person**
 - 2) Concerning the Process (Cf. Acts 11:1-18; 10:34-35)**
 - b. The Confirmation (8-9)**
 - 1) Peter Appeals to God's Omniscience (8A; 1 Sam. 16:7)**
 - 2) Peter Appeals to God's Outpouring (8B; Acts 10:44-48)**
 - 3) Peter Appeals to God's Operation (9)**
 - c. The Conclusion (10-11)**
 - 1. Don't Mess With God (10A; 5:38-39)**
 - 2. Don't Mess With the Gentiles (10B; Mt. 11:29-30)**
 - 3. Don't Mess With the Gospel (11; Gal 1:6; 2:16; Rev. 5:9)**
 - B. A Public Meeting (12-18)**
 - 1. The Testimony of Barnabas and Paul (12; Cf. Acts 13 and 14)**
 - 2. The Testimony of James (13-18)**
 - a. His Appeal to Peter's Statements (13-14)**
 - b. His Appeal to the Prophets' Statements (15-18)**
- III. The Conclusion (19-21)**
 - A. The Pronouncement of James (19A)**
 - B. The Prohibitions (19-20)**
 - 1. The Prohibition for the Jews (19)**
 - 2. The Prohibitions for the Gentiles (20)**
 - a. Foods Polluted by Idols (Rev. 2:14, 20)**
 - b. Fornication (1 Cor. 6:15-20)**
 - c. Meat Killed by Strangulation and Blood (Gen. 9:6; Lev. 17; Acts 15:29)**
 - C. The Principle (21, Romans 14:20; 1 Cor. 8:13)**

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