



THE FIRST CHURCH COUNCIL

Acts 15
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Acts 1-2: AD 30

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(vv.1-2)

(Paul's Gospel) *Through him everyone who believes is justified from everything you could not be justified from by the law of Moses.*

- Acts 13:39 (NIV)

When Peter came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he was clearly in the wrong. Before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group. - Galatians 2:11-12 (NIV)

(v.5)

Some believed that Gentiles could only be saved by becoming

The Question: Are we saved by faith alone or by a combination of

_____ and keeping a _____?

A Legalist is someone who has a _____

(vv.7-9)

Peter's Point: It's all _____

He made no distinction between us and them, for he purified (katharizoo) their hearts by faith. - Acts 15:9 (NIV)

Peter says that adding anything to purification/salvation by faith is

_____ (v.10)

Peter's _____ **in Acts are to confirm that we are**

saved by _____ (vv.7-11)

*"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life."
- John 3:16 (NASB)*

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. - Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)

*...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...
- Romans 3:23 (NASB)*

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. - Romans 6:23 (ESV)

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8 (NASB)

*But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name...
- John 1:12 (NASB)*