

# *Your Personal Bible Reading Guide*

YEAR 2: NEW TESTAMENT  
ACTS, EPISTLES, AND REVELATION

## GROUP QUESTIONS

January 29 – February 4, 2021

Acts 15:22-17:15

1. We may say that the Jerusalem Council secured a double victory – a victory of love in persevering fellowship by sensitive concession to conscientious Jewish scriptures. “Paul was strong in faith and soft in love” – Martin Luther. “Paul was a reed in non-essentials, an iron pillar in essentials.” – John Newton. What is your reaction to the resolution of the Council? [Acts 15:1-21]
2. Why do you think Gentile believers were given a list of four behaviors from which to abstain, even though they did not have to be circumcised or obey the law of Moses to be saved? [Acts 15:22-35]
3. After all the discussion in the Jerusalem Council about Gentiles not having to be circumcised, why do you think Paul circumcised Timothy before taking him along on the journey with Silas? [Acts 16:1-4]
4. Like Paul, we need to seek guidance from the Holy Spirit. What are your greatest fears about being guided by the Spirit? [Acts 16:6-10]
5. How does the response of the jailer compare to Lydia’s response to the gospel? [Acts 16:14-15, 30-34, 40]

**PRAYER:** Quietly reflect on how God has led you in the past. Thank him for His faithfulness. Commit your present and future to Him now. Talk to Him about your fears, desires and commitment to following Him.

