

FOR SMALL GROUPS OR PERSONAL STUDY

Welcome! Today, we are continuing in our message series: *Exploring the Book of Acts*. In this study of early Church history, you will be enlightened and encouraged by the power of the gospel as it spread throughout the world and transformed lives.

READ: Acts 15:1-35

Have you ever experienced a disruptive situation in a church? How was that handled? What kinds of things have you seen churches disrupt over? How did that make you feel?

How do you move from a disruptive situation to a desirable situation?

1. _____ **Leaders:**

What was the BIG Disruption in the Church at Antioch all about? Who caused the disruption? What were they saying? What perspective were they coming from? How would you have handled this?

2. _____ **Overruled:**

What was Peter's argument? What stood out most from his argument?

What was the argument from James? What stood out most from his argument?

3. _____ **Policy:**

What kind of policy was this? Why do churches have policies? What did this policy tell the Gentile Christians? How can we show support for church policies?

4. _____ **Thinking:**

Why were the early church leaders able to bring about such a God-honoring resolution?