Week 9: Acts 15:1-21 **Gospel is Freedom From the Law**

BIG IDEA:

The law that was set up in the Old Testament was designed to point us to our need for a Savior. We can still fall into the same traps as the Pharisees by adding rules, structures, or guidelines that destroy the good news.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Why do you think God first gave the law rather than just send Jesus?

Have you ever tried to live by all the laws? How did that work out for vou?

How have you seen others use rules or structures to restrict the Gospel?

In what ways have you added rules or structures to the Gospel for yourself or someone else? If Salvation was based on your obedience to rules...what grade would you give yourself?

Have you ever thought another Christian should be more like you in action or deed?

What expectations do you put on other Christians?

When someone is in need of your guidance, do you encourage people to put their trust in Jesus and His grace, or do you usually try to correct their behavior and actions?

How does putting one's trust in Jesus and His grace lead to salvation and change lives?

Is there anything we must do for salvation besides faith and grace alone?

How can we, as a people, be more serious about God's grace?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:21 slowly.

What does this verse say about who God is and what He has done?

What does this verse say about who we are?

How can we speak this truth into each other's lives everyday?

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TODAY'S VERSES:

UPCOMING @ ELEMENT

Acts 15:1-21

2 Corinthians 5:21 Genesis 17:7 Genesis 17:10-14

Save the Date

Maundy Thursday Service - April 9th @ 7pm

Faster Services -Saturday, April 11th @ 6pm (nursery care only) & Sunday, April 12th @ 8:15a, 9:30a & 11a (full children's programs at all services)

Connect Party

Inviting all who are new or newer to meet some of our leaders and find out next steps to get better plugged in around Element. Sunday, March 29th directly following each service.

Redemption Groups

Spring Session beginning in April. Deadline to submit applications is next Sunday. Come to the Welcome Center for more details or to pick up an application.

