

LIFE GROUPS

SERMON NOTES



The Unburdened Gospel of Jesus

Acts 15 April 2, 2023, Pastor Steve Walker

START TALKING | asking questions to get you thinking.

1. What kind of religious rules have you encountered from well-meaning Christians?
2. Why do you think people still want to impose religious rules for themselves and others?

START SHARING | asking questions that engage with the message.

Please read Acts 15:1-31

3. Please read Acts 15:7-18 and Ephesians 1:3-5. What was God's plan to initiate the salvation of mankind, and how do we know that Gentiles are welcomed into the family of God?
4. Please read Acts 15:8 and Romans 5:10, 1. Explain how God intervenes to provide peace.
5. In verses 9-11, what did Peter say regarding salvation for both Jews and Gentiles, and what did James add in verses 13-21?
6. What are the means of salvation established by God in the following verses?
 - a. Ephesians 2:8-9
 - b. Romans 5:1
 - c. Romans 10:14-17
 - d. Romans 16:25-27

START LIVING | asking questions that apply God's Word to daily life.

7. What will your response be when confronted by someone who wants to impose religious rules?
8. Quiet yourself and meditate on Matthew 11:28-30. Then write a prayer asking God to release you from the burdens you put on yourself, that He never asked you to assume.