# Addressing Church Controversies (Acts 15:1-41) – June 27, 2021

**A. When faced with a controversial issue in the Church, we need to weigh:**

1. Whether a teaching or activity edifies people’s faith
2. Whether God is clearly at work
3. Whether a teaching of activity aligns with the Bible

**B. The Jerusalem Council reminds us that:**

1. Salvation is not bound in ethnic culture but by faith in Jesus alone.
2. We need to be sensitive to the religious conscience of other believers (but we are still bound by the command for love and holiness).

**C. Even the most godly leaders in the Church can have sharp and emotional disagreements.**