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A JOURNEY THROUGH THE BOOK OF ACTS



# Conflict



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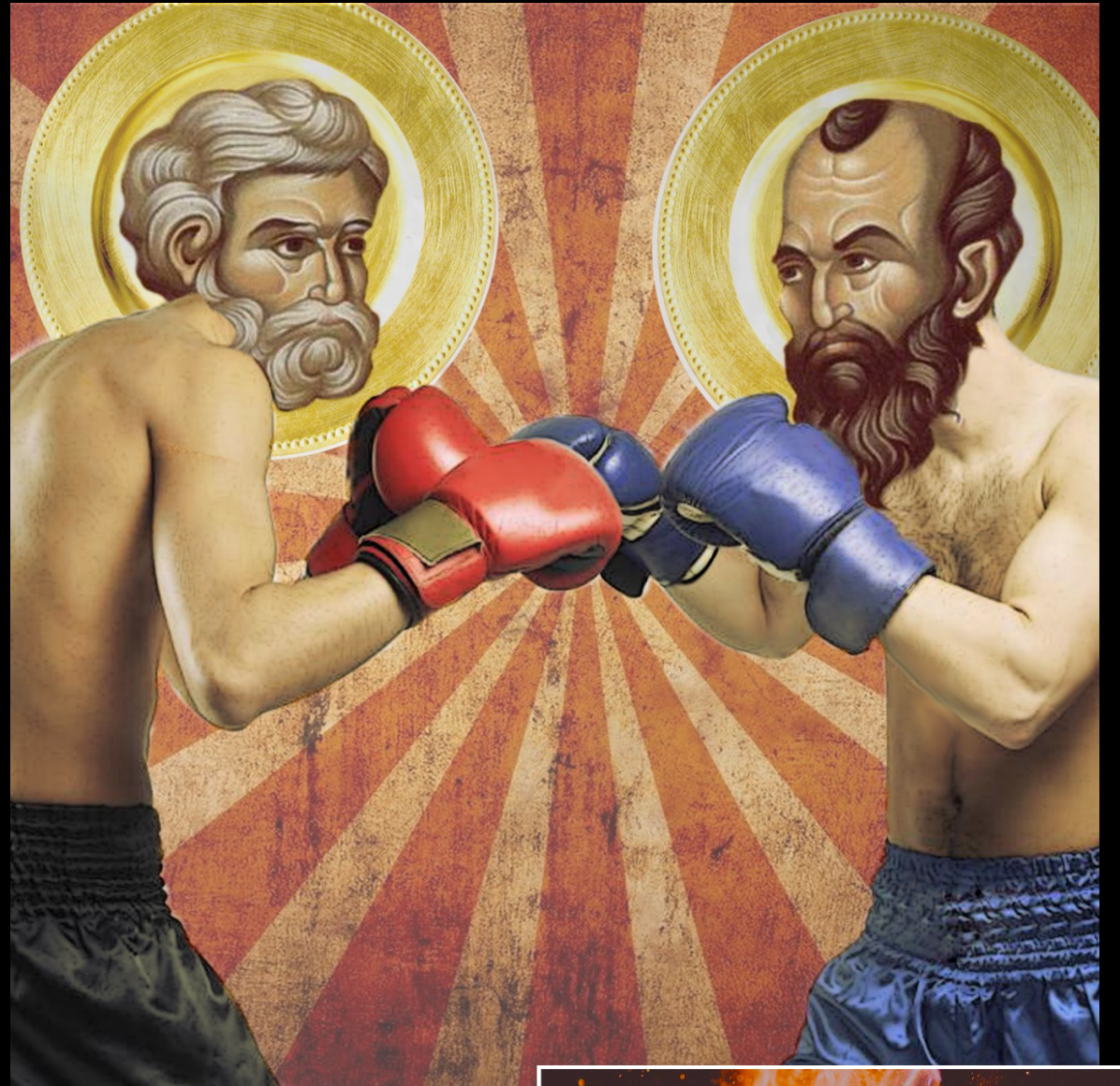
**<sup>36</sup> Sometime later Paul said to Barnabas,  
“Let us go back and visit the believers in all the  
towns where we preached the word of the  
Lord and see how they are doing.”**

**<sup>37</sup> Barnabas wanted to take John, also called  
Mark, with them, <sup>38</sup> but Paul did not think it  
wise to take him, because he had deserted  
them in Pamphylia and had not continued with  
them in the work. <sup>39</sup> They had such a sharp  
disagreement... Acts 15:36-39**

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**Is Paul in the right  
or is Barnabas?**



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**Paul is most concerned about the Mission.**

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This is a classic example of the ongoing problem of whether to place the interests of the **Individual** or the **Mission** first.”

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**<sup>39</sup> They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus, <sup>40</sup> but Paul chose Silas and left, commended by the believers to the grace of the Lord. <sup>41</sup> He went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.**

Acts 15:39-41

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**Barnabas: Let's take John  
Mark with us this time**

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**Paul: Nope**

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**2. Though resolving differences is best,  
God still advances His purposes through our  
disagreements.**

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**3. Don't allow differences, even separation to extinguish your love or close the door shut on reconciliation.**

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***"Don't take everyone who disagrees with you off your prayer list. Insofar as you think they're wrong, pray God would bring them to a right understanding. But inasmuch as they're still walking in the truth, ask him to bless them."***

*~John Piper*

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**“My fellow prisoner Aristarchus sends you his greetings as does Mark, the cousin of Barnabas.” Colossians 4:10**

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**“Get Mark and bring him with you because he is helpful to me in my ministry.”**

2 Timothy 4:11

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