

Our Roots

“Just as I Am”



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Acts 15:1-2

15 Certain people came down from Judea to Antioch and were teaching the believers: "Unless you are circumcised, according to the custom taught by Moses, you cannot be saved." ² This brought Paul and Barnabas into sharp dispute and debate with them. So Paul and Barnabas were appointed, along with some other believers, to go up to Jerusalem to see the apostles and elders about this question.

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**Cultural diversity presents
challenges**

The healthy way to resolve disagreements

Acts 15:4

⁴ When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and elders, to whom they reported everything God had done through them.

The healthy way to resolve disagreements

Show kindness

Listen

Speak up

Prayerfully consider

The real question is:

**Is the gospel alone
sufficient for
salvation ?**

**Is the gospel sufficient
for salvation?**

The Pharisees state their case

Peter speaks

Paul and Barnabas speak

James speaks

**Guided by the Holy Spirit a
conclusion was met**

Liberty
Purity

Our takeaway: Just as I am

Acts 15:11

¹¹ No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are.”