

# DAILY READING PLAN

Council

Week of May 14, 2017



## Day 1 – Acts 15:1-3

- So often when we have conflict in the church our tendency is to disengage with the people with whom we disagree. What is the response of the church at Antioch in this text and how can it instruct the way we approach disagreement and controversy in the church today?

## Day 2 – Acts 15:4-7

- Disagreement tends to tempt us to dehumanize those who think differently than we do. Peter doesn't do that. How does he address the group and what are the implications for how we should relate to those with whom we disagree?

## Day 3 – Acts 15:8-11

- How often do you feel like you are trying to purify yourself before God rather than letting God's grace cover you?

## Day 4 – Acts 15:14-18

- Does the idea that it is God's intention to reach the entire world with this "gospel of grace" sit well with you? Why or why not?

## Day 5 – Acts 15:19-21

- In our life with God, how essential is the first commandment to "have no other gods before our God"? How does sticking to this commandment make sense of and direct our actions when "the rules" are gray or blurry?

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## PRAYERS

**Pray for:** Mark, Naomi, Megan, Archie, Tami, John, George, Jodi, Grant, Marilyn, Ben, Aubrey, Brian, Kathy, Jen, Carter, Rob, Haley, Jacob, Katie, Dave, Karen, Shannon, Carolyn, Mark L., Jenny, Mary, Tom, Connie, Ginny, Angela, Brenda, Pam, Alex, Justin, Duke, Steven, Jean, Kathy, Norma, Emily, Marie.

**Pray for those with long-term illness:** Pray for those with long-term illness: Claude Johnson, Jenny, Lucas Lamontage, Sandra Jundt, Stella Mae Aaby, Harold Johnson, Phyliss Dybsetter, Janice Wake, Karen Axen, Gloria Swanson, Chloe Checco, Jean "Yaya" Welch, Tim Ivers, Corey "Lovely" Samuel, Greg Wendorf, Vicki Nordaune, Bob Pelton, Emma Olson, Kerstin Bryall, Kathy G., Kate Drost, Evan Marian, Judy Wenner, Kurt Gartland, Dan Ward, Gavin Lyman, Judy Knutson, Bobbi Braun, Jen Cockerill, Mark Reinsmoen, Carissa Vincent, Adele Schoen, Sandy Brunes, Karin Fredricson, Lorna Hansen, Amy Hansen Rimington, David Odegard, Judy Furstenau, Duane Thoms, Sandy Robertson, Tami Allen, Bernie Wagnild, Maria Hurni, Julia Nicol, Doug and Carol Silkey, Bryan Akkerman, Greg Stofer, Ed O'Connor, James Alsip.

**Prayers of sympathy and support for:** The family and friends of Curt Hovland.

**Pray for those serving in the military:** Colin Heintzeman, Maurice McKay, Dave Booth, Josiah Ellingson, Jason Wilck, Jason McClure.

**One Church Campaign prayer focus:** Thank you, God, for your grace through our Lord Jesus Christ that changes us and helps us live in the freedom and aliveness that comes from you. In Christ's Name, Amen.

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