

2. How do the following verses help understand the importance of choosing to limit our freedoms as followers of Jesus:

- Romans 15:1
- Galatians 5:13
- 1 Corinthians 10:23-24

3. When we deal with difficult issues within our church and our community, what are some important principles to keep in mind and tools available for us to use?

Influencing Our World

1. What was Jesus' mission according to Luke 19:10? How should this impact our mission as a church?
2. How does the mission of the church guide when it comes to solving problems or disagreements within the church?

Deepening Our Hearts for God

1. What is on God's heart according to 2 Peter 3:9?
2. Read Romans 3:22-24. How had God demonstrated His grace and love towards us in these verses?

Looking Ahead: Read Acts 2:42-47. From these verses, what you say is the mission or purpose of the church?



Deck Discussion Questions

Striving to Know God and His People Better

Coming Together: What are some of “those topics” that people find it hard to discuss/debate and maintain unity? Why do you think these issues are so hard to talk about?

Growing in Our Understanding

1. Read Acts 15:1-5. What is the conflict that is revealed in these verses? Why was it so important for the Early Church to solve this issue? What steps did they take to solve the issue?
2. What did Peter share in Acts 15:7-11 in an effort to bring resolution to the issue? How does his argument help resolve the problem?
3. What conclusions were reached by the then leader of the Church James in Acts 15:13-21?
4. What was the letter to the Gentile believers about? See Acts 15:24-29
5. How did the Gentile believers respond to the letter? See Acts 15:30-31

Unwrapping God's Principles

1. Why do you think the question of limiting our freedoms is an important one for us to wrestle with today?