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**READING PLAN: WEEK 2**

## DAY 7: MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021

Read Acts 15:1-4

*The Jerusalem Council*

<sup>1</sup>But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.” <sup>2</sup>And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. <sup>3</sup>So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers. <sup>4</sup>When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them.

### Pray for our Share Partner

Hope Village provides short-term and longer-term housing alternatives and services to people experiencing homelessness in Chippewa County.



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[www.hopevillagechippewafalls.com](http://www.hopevillagechippewafalls.com)

## DAY 8: TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021

Read Acts 15:5-11

<sup>5</sup>But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, “It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses.” <sup>6</sup>The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. <sup>7</sup>And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, “Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. <sup>8</sup>And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us, <sup>9</sup>and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. <sup>10</sup>Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? <sup>11</sup>But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.”

### Pray for our Share Partner

Over the years, Clarkston, Georgia has accepted over 40,000 refugees. Envision Atlanta is focusing on the 90 unreached people groups that comprise these refugees. Paul and Nicki are working to develop a new youth ministry in Clarkston, Georgia in partnership with Envision Atlanta. They will be sharing the gospel and creating a culture of unity with the youth in Clarkston and building partnerships with the community churches so they continue discipling the youth even after the Behnke's are gone.

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[www.envisionatlanta.org](http://www.envisionatlanta.org)



## DAY 9: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

Read Acts 15:12-21

<sup>12</sup>And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. <sup>13</sup>After they finished speaking, James replied, “Brothers, listen to me. <sup>14</sup>Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name. <sup>15</sup>And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written,

<sup>16</sup>“After this I will return, and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will restore it, <sup>17</sup>that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord, and all the Gentiles who are called by my name, says the Lord, who makes these things <sup>18</sup>known from of old.”

<sup>19</sup>Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, <sup>20</sup>but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. <sup>21</sup>For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.”

### Pray for our Career Student Ministers, Andrew & Cassie Draper

Fellowship for Christian Athletes focuses on serving local communities around the globe by engaging, equipping and empowering coaches and athletes to unite, inspire and change the world through the gospel. Andrew is the Fellowship for Christian Athletes NW Wisconsin Area Director. He facilitates Camps, Campus/Community Huddles, 3D Coaching, and works to keep faith in sports going throughout the year.

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[www.fca.org](http://www.fca.org)



## DAY 10: THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2021

### Read Acts 15:22-29

*The Council's Letter to Gentile Believers*

<sup>22</sup>Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers, <sup>23</sup>with the following letter:

“The brothers, both the apostles and the elders, to the brothers who are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. <sup>24</sup>Since we have heard that some persons have gone out from us and troubled you with words, unsettling your minds, although we gave them no instructions, <sup>25</sup>it has seemed good to us, having come to one accord, to choose men and send them to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, <sup>26</sup>men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>27</sup>We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. <sup>28</sup>For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: <sup>29</sup>that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.”

### Pray for our Career Student Ministers, Sean & Jenna Kaiser

InterVarsity is a vibrant campus ministry that establishes and advances witnessing communities of students and faculty. Sean and Jenna work on staff with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship to equip college students to build witnessing communities sharing the gospel. They minister to the college students of the Chippewa Valley at UW-Eau Claire, CVTC, and UW-Stout.



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## DAY 11: FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021

### Read Acts 15:30-35

<sup>30</sup>So when they were sent off, they went down to Antioch, and having gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. <sup>31</sup>And when they had read it, they rejoiced because of its encouragement. <sup>32</sup>And Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, encouraged and strengthened the brothers with many words. <sup>33</sup>And after they had spent some time, they were sent off in peace by the brothers to those who had sent them. <sup>35</sup>But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

### Pray for our Career Student Minister, Maddy Mortimer

The Navigators is a ministry that shares the gospel of Jesus and helps people grow in their relationship with Him through Life-to-Life discipleship, creating spiritual generations of believers. Maddy serves on staff with the Navigators International Student Ministry doing outreach to international students at IUPUI, Indianapolis. Outreach to these students is gospel centered, inviting them to have spiritual conversations, bible studies, or join large group.



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## DAY 12: SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2021

### Read Acts 15:36-41

*Paul and Barnabas Separate*

<sup>36</sup>And after some days Paul said to Barnabas, “Let us return and visit the brothers in every city where we proclaimed the word of the Lord, and see how they are.” <sup>37</sup>Now Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. <sup>38</sup>But Paul thought best not to take with them one who had withdrawn from them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work. <sup>39</sup>And there arose a sharp disagreement, so that they separated from each other. Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus, <sup>40</sup>but Paul chose Silas and departed, having been commended by the brothers to the grace of the Lord.

### Pray for our Career Student Ministers, Jeff & Beckie Wiegel

The Navigators is a ministry that shares the gospel of Jesus and helps people grow in their relationship with Him through Life-to-Life discipleship, creating spiritual generations of believers. Jeff and Beckie are The Navigators' Campus Directors at UWEC. They have 21-years of combined experience ministering to college students in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. This is their 5th year at UWEC.



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