



***Week 2: Grace Alone!***

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† Question! On what basis does a person receive the Grace of God?  
Is it through *faith* in Christ, or faith in Christ *plus* the Law?

*Acts 15:5-6*

† The matter of the gentiles  
*Acts 15:7, Galatians 2:11-16*

† God is after the heart  
*Acts 15:8-9*

† The unbearable burden  
*Acts 15:10, Romans 7:15-19,24*

*Note: By 'The Law', we don't just mean the specific 'rules' and requirements of the Mosaic Law, but the system under which our rightness with God –our righteousness- is based on our ability to fully and consistently live out those rules and requirements.*

Reality! It was never God's intention for humanity to RECIEVE a restored relationship with God, nor to EXPERIENCE that restored relationship with God, *through the law*.  
*Acts 13:39*

† So... why the law?

Through the law we become aware of our SIN.  
*Romans 3:19-20*

Through the law we recognize our absolute need for God's GRACE.  
*Galatians 2:19-21*

† Grace alone  
*Acts 15:11*

Through Christ, we RECIEVE salvation by God's Grace alone  
*Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 1:16-17*

In Christ, we DAILY WALK in our relationship with God through His Grace alone.  
*Colossians 2:6-7*

**Next week's message: Revolution/Counter-Revolution, Week 3:**  
*Don't Make Things Difficult! Acts 15:12-21*