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Sermon Outline

“The First Church Council”  
*Acts 15:1-21*

1. A critical division arises: is salvation by grace alone or by grace plus \_\_\_\_\_? (vv. 1-5)

1. A careful discussion ensues: thoroughly examining what God has done and said. (vv. 6-18)
2. A crucial declaration is made: salvation is by grace alone and should lead us to the law of love. (vv. 19-21)

**BIG IDEA:** When the heart of the Gospel is compromised, it must be corrected according to the Word of God and under the authority of God.