

REACHING OUT

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- In Acts 15, an event took place and a decision was made that literally changed the entire course of church history.
- If it wasn't for that decision, church would have an entirely different meaning to us today.
- I want us to discover some practical application from this incredible story today.

God cares passionately about _____ the _____. (vs. 7-8, 12, 14, 17)

- God makes it clear throughout His Word that it's His burning desire for _____ to be saved.
 - *“The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” 2 Peter 3:9*
 - *“Who (God) will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.” 1 Timothy 2:4*

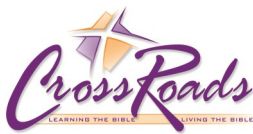
- Every Sunday you must assume that there are _____ in the room whose lives God wants to touch and change.

We should never make it _____ for souls to be reached. (vs. 19)

- James was saying, “We don’t want to make it _____ for these Gentiles to follow God.” This should be our goal as well.
- We can accomplish this goal by asking ourselves 3 key questions:
 - What do they _____? (Do our _____ look like we are expecting guests and their children?)
 - What do they _____? (Do we have a good reputation in the _____?)
 - What do they _____? (Do we respond quickly, directly, and _____?)

Never forget: _____ are the church. You are _____ church.

Let’s be a church that _____ of our comfort zones for the sake of leading souls to Christ.



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