



Topic: "YHWH's Dietary Instructions" Pt 10
Scripture: Acts 15:1-29
Definition: "Ya'akov's Council"

Scriptural Dietary Instructions

Acts 15:1-29



vs 1 False teachers coming in to corrupt truth.

vs 2 Both Shaul and Barnabas address.

vs 3 While traveling to Jerusalem they visited other fellowships.



vs 4 They give report as to how YHWH is doing with them.

vs. 5 There were those of the party of the Pharisees who also felt you must be circumcised to be saved.

vs.6 That's why they are here to seek council from the apostles and elders.

vs 7-9 Lot's of debate was occurring concerning this "reconciliation of the Gentiles."
Was it by circumcision and...?
Peter stands to address the gathering.



vs 10 Peter poses the question, "Why, then, do you test Elohim by putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples.

vs 11 Salvation, through the grace of Messiah Yahshua (not our grace but His) not only are we (Jews) saved but the Gentiles are being saved the very same way!

vs 12 As Shaul and Barnabas speak the crowd.

vs 13 Ya'akov (Jacob known in english bibles as James, the half brother of Yahshua) responds

vs 14-17 Addressing Simon, Peter's testimony, he quotes for Amos how the gospel is to be given to the Gentiles (nations).

Note: vs 17 says, "those who My name is called over them, says YHWH who made all these things. This is YHWH speaking...pay attention. "Called over them..."



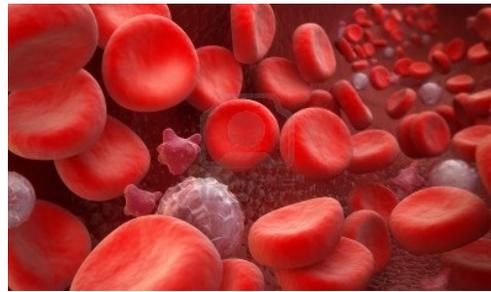
Remember grace in paleo Hebrew is a picture of a tent. When we accept His grace, the gift of His Son Yahshua, we come into His tent. We became His people. We become His.

vs 18 DON'T skip over this lightly!! From the very onset of our study of Scriptural Dietary Instruction we have emphasized the fact of YHWH's unchanging character. Here Ya'akov (James) is strongly reminding this group of believers in this fact.

vs 19 On the above mentioned facts...he deliberates. Those turning to YHWH not to trouble them.

vs 20, 21 5 things Ya'akov, James instructs them

1. Pollutions of idols (Ex 20:4)
2. Fornication (Deut 22:22, Prov 1:15)
3. Things strangled (Gen 9:4 idea of not bleed)
4. Blood (Lev 17:10-11, Deut 12:16, 23)
5. Attend to the reading of Moses on Shabbat, which is in every city form ancient generations. (Deut 31:9) Continued growth in their faith walk.



vs 22 It was agreed to the apostles, elders and all the congregation that this is the approach to take concerning those Gentiles coming to faith in Messiah Yahshua. Shaul, Barnabas, Judas, Silas and other leading brothers were to take this declaration to congregations outside of Jerusalem.



vs 23 Tells us that a hand written letter was given to be passed around and shared in the different congregations...wouldn't you like to have that letter today?!

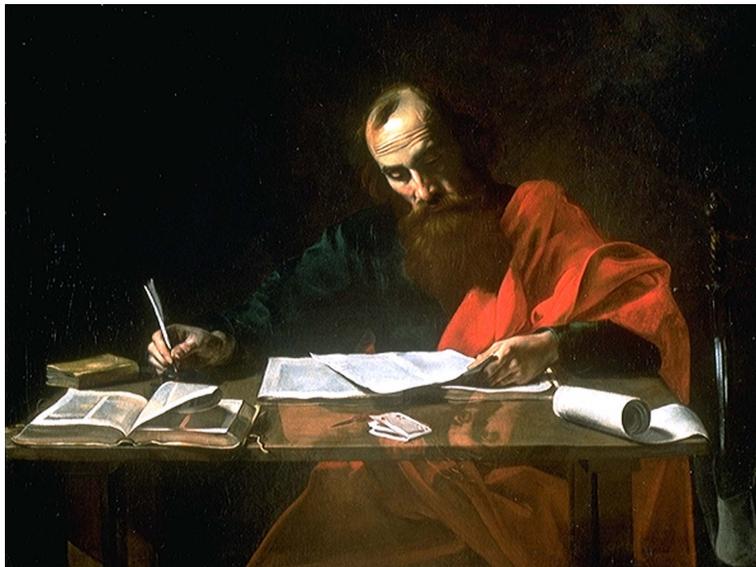
vs 24 The letter goes back to the intent and reason of the meeting...to clear up the confusion that was birthed because of fault teachers and doctrine (traditions) of men. Circumcised for salvation was not YHWH's instructions.

vs 25-29 Reasoning of the letter as well as how delivered. That's

important. Remember it was false teaching that was being delivered from ‘those’ from Jerusalem, religious, pious people.

Last note...vs 29 “BE TRUE IN OUR MASTER” He who would sit with the sinner to bring them the good news.

Shaul, Paul says it in a different way when he says, “For it is not the one who is outwardly a Jew that is the real Jew, nor is circumcision that which is seen in the flesh; but he is a Jew that is one inwardly, and circumcision is of the heart, in spirit, not literally; of whom the praise is not from men, but from Elohim.” Romans 2:28, 29



Next week we will explore more of
YHWH’s thoughts on dietary
instructions.

