

# KIDTOWN GUIDE

*Preschool*

**DATE:** 5/2/21

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 15

**LESSON:** The Jerusalem Council



## INTRO

**Come and Follow** - Invite children to help you make a list of rules people follow. Name places that are familiar to children, such as the playground, preschool or daycare, church, and home. Choose two or three. Write rules for each place on a dry erase board, chalkboard, or large sheet of paper.

**Say** - The Jewish people had many rules! They had hundreds of rules! Could you follow hundreds of rules? Listen to what happened in our Bible story.



## LESSON - THE JERUSALEM COUNCIL

Watch the Gospel Project Bible video: [Letters to Church Leaders](#)

**Story Point #1:** (Kids repeat!)

**Following rules won't save us!** (Kids Repeat!)

Paul and Barnabas were traveling around again to different churches and telling them the Good News. Some people in one of the churches were telling people that they needed to follow certain rules in order to be saved. Paul told them that following all the rules perfectly was not what saves us. Nobody is perfect and can follow every single rule! The Bible and the rules we have as Believers are there to help us and we are to follow what the Bible says, but they alone cannot save our hearts! Only Jesus can do that!

**Christ Connection!** (Kids repeat!)

**Only Jesus can save us!** (Kids repeat!)

Jesus alone can save us! When he died on the cross for our sins, he took away every single thing that separates us from Him. He gave us grace. Do you know what that is? Grace is giving us what we don't deserve! He is a good Father who loves us and wants to rescue us. All we need to do is trust in Jesus, have faith in Him and turn away from our sin.



## RESPONSE

**Sing:** [In No One Else](#) (Key Passage Song)  
[Psalm 40:5](#)

**Pray:** Thank you Jesus for saving us. Help us to remember that you alone have rescued us from sin!

**Discuss:**

- What did Paul and Barnabas do? *Travel around telling people about Jesus!*
- What did the people in the church say about rules? *They told people that they needed to follow certain rules to be saved.*
- Who alone can send us? *Jesus!*
  
- *Allow time for questions and if you don't know the answers, that's okay. Affirm their question and let them know that you don't know but will try to find out.*
- *If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at [hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com](mailto:hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com)*



## BONUS ACTIVITIES

**Coloring Sheet** - [Printable Coloring Sheet](#)

**Copy Dance** - Invite kids to squat down. Explain that you will call out an action and ask if doing that action can save them. Kids should say, "No," while remaining in a squat. But when you say, "Can Jesus save you?" kids should jump up and shout, "Yes! Jesus alone!" Use the actions in the margin or create your own. Intersperse "Can Jesus save you?" throughout, as you name the actions.

**Parents say to your kid(s)** - Those are all great actions to do. God is honored and life works best when we do those things, but they cannot save us from sin. Only Jesus can save us because He is the only one who obeyed God perfectly. Jesus is all we need to be saved from sin. Anyone who trusts in Him will be saved.