

## The Jerusalem Council

Read about the Jerusalem Council in Acts 15, then answer the following questions:

1. State clearly the terms of the disagreement in Acts 15. What exactly is at stake? What arguments are used? What does each group care about?
2. Read Matthew 5:1–20 and find any ways in which your group might draw support for its position from the teaching of Jesus.
3. Examine the decision reached by the Jerusalem council and the way it is communicated to the church. In what ways did the council take your group's concerns into account?