

## Sermon Outline

Sermon Title: Faith: Biblical Essentials versus Traditions

Big Idea: We must rely on God's Spirit to direct us in how we live out our faith

Scripture: Acts 15:1-35

Message Outline:

Orthodoxy - is right believing (in essential truths)

Orthopraxy - is holding to "proper" customs or practices

At the Jerusalem council, James moved from a question of orthodoxy (right belief) to orthopraxy (right practice).

Keep the Main Thing as the main thing, which I (Pastor Ralph) believe can be summed up in these two teachings Jesus gave his disciples:

1. Love God and others → Greatest Commandment → Love the Lord your God with your whole heart, soul, mind and strength and love your neighbor as yourself
2. Be disciple-makers → Great Commission → Be in the world making disciples, baptizing them and teaching them everything Jesus taught his disciples.

Put your thoughts, energy, focus, prayers primarily into these two things and we won't get side-tracked with kingdom-irrelevant "issues".



We Strive to Follow Jesus Christ as We:

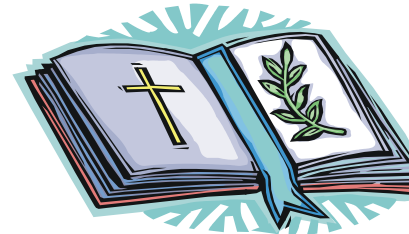
*Walk in His Way*

*Unite in His Truth*

*Share His Life*

July 23, 2017

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## Sunday, July 23, 2017 Service

### Welcome & Call to Worship

*"10,000 Reasons"*

*"We Fall Down"*

*"Your Name"*

### Announcements & Prayer

*"In Christ Alone"*

*"Ancient Words"*

### Offering

*Junior Church Send Off Prayer*

### Scripture Reading:

*Acts 15: 1 – 35*

*With Roy*

### Sermon:

*"Faith: Biblical Essentials versus Traditions."*

*With Ralph Hardy*

### Closing Hymn

*"Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" #462*

### Benediction

## Weekly Happenings

### Sunday Worship:

English: 11:00 AM

Japanese: 9:30 AM

Korean: 12:30 PM

### Prayer and Weekly Studies:

Wed. Night Study: Book of John

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. 9 am, Japanese

### Community Outreach:

Monday Night Informal ESL: All Welcome.

### Prayer Focus:

Perhaps some of you remember Pastor Sammy Kabyemera of Jesus Grace International Church. Violence has happened in Congo affecting the family. Pray for Sammy and Eva and the people of Congo.

Church of the Week: **Pray for LPD and Summer Camp**

### Church Family:

Pray with the families in bereavement. Pray for the ESL program. Pray for Japanese & Korean language groups.

### Birthdays and Anniversaries of the Month:

June 30, Aster & Ben's Anniversary.

July 3, Michiko S; July 4, Billy D; July 7, Malcolm S.

July 7, Tesfaye & Fortuna's, and, Joseph & Esther's;

July 9, Barry & Shanna's Anniversary; July 18, George H;

July 26, John & Noriko's Anniversary;

July 30, Agnes J; July 31, Joseph C;

July 31, Erna & Alvaro's Anniversary.

### Upcoming Events to Note: