

## *Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

### **Study Aid for the Sermon from August 30, 2015 The Implementation by Letter Acts 15:22-35**

#### **Observing the text**

What was the reason for the sending of a letter? What did the church in Jerusalem hope to accomplish?

Who were Judas and Silas? Why were Judas and Silas chosen to accompany the delivery of the letter? Why did Luke include this in his account?

There are many similarities between the letter and what came earlier in the chapter. What are some of the unique parts of this section compared with what came earlier in the chapter?

What do you see in this passage that served to unify the church?

#### **Applying the sermon**

What can you learn from the choice of the church in Jerusalem to send a letter in order to serve the church in Antioch?

What efforts are you willing to extend to help people who have become unsettled in their soul by the words of others?

Can you think of a time when church leaders have given restrictions to church members and the response has been joy? What are some reasons why people struggle to restrict their freedoms for the sake of the gospel?

How well are you doing in delivering the meaning of the letters of the New Testament to your fellow believers? Is there a way that you think you could improve?