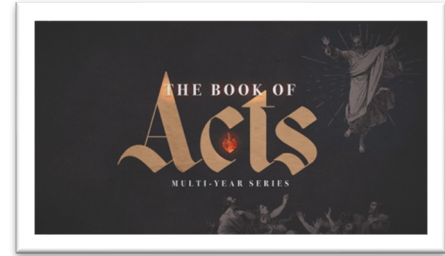


# A PEOPLE FOR HIS NAME

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*During conflict and controversy, I will...listen to the counsel of godly leaders (v. 12-14)...believe the teaching of God's Word (v. 15-18)...move forward together in unity (v. 19-21).*

## GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

- 1. Many real issues are facing the church which can create conflict and controversy.**
  - Where can we look to for counsel and wisdom to address these dividing issues? Who can we trust?
  - Why do so many leaders fail the test when discerning *godly leaders*?
  - Do I listen to godly leaders in my life? Is there an area where I have failed to do so? What was the result?
- 2. Followers of Jesus should lean on the Word as they encounter conflict.**
  - What does it mean that we should 'submit in humility to the Word'?
  - Knowing that God's Word is clear, authoritative, and sufficient, why do we regularly trust our feelings and subjective experience when faced with an issue?
- 3. Most Christians desire to have unity in the church yet struggle to maintain it.**
  - READ Romans 14:17-19. Are we mindful to pursue peace and build up our 'brother' or do we tend to despise and pass judgment instead?
  - What are our underlying motives for reacting the way we do?
- 4. Christian community is the final apologetic.**
  - How can our response to conflict/controversy impact our witness for the gospel?