

1. What break up was hardest for you and why: Moving? Losing your first girl/boyfriend? Empty nest? Retirement?

2. How do you handle conflict? What if the conflict is with someone who is in a position over you? Under you?

Read Acts 15:36-41

3. Describe the conflict between Barnabas and Saul in Acts 15:36-41. What factors contributed to the conflict? Acts 13:13

4. Who was right/wrong in the conflict? Why? How does this demonstrate that these men are “of the same nature” as any other human?

5. How do Paul’s later writings show his spiritual growth in this area? What was Paul’s relationship with Barnabas in the years after this division with him? With John Mark?

6. How can you deal with conflict in the future in a more godly manner than you have in the past? How did God use the disagreement and division for His own purposes? Personal Response

Read Acts 16:1-5

7. Who was Timothy? What was his background?

8. Was Paul's circumcision of Timothy a compromise of his principles? Why or why not? Note 1 Corinthians 9:22

9. What was Paul's philosophy concerning keeping Jewish traditions? Note Galatians 2:16, 20, 3:11

10. When have you given up your rights to better represent Christ to others? How can you do this today? Personal Response