GRACE THAT RESTORES

Acts 15:36-41









LUKE 1:1-3 (NLT)

Many people have set out to write accounts about the events that have been fulfilled among us. They used the eyewitness reports circulating among us from the early disciples. Having carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I also have decided to write an accurate account for you, most honorable Theophilus.

THE TRIGGER

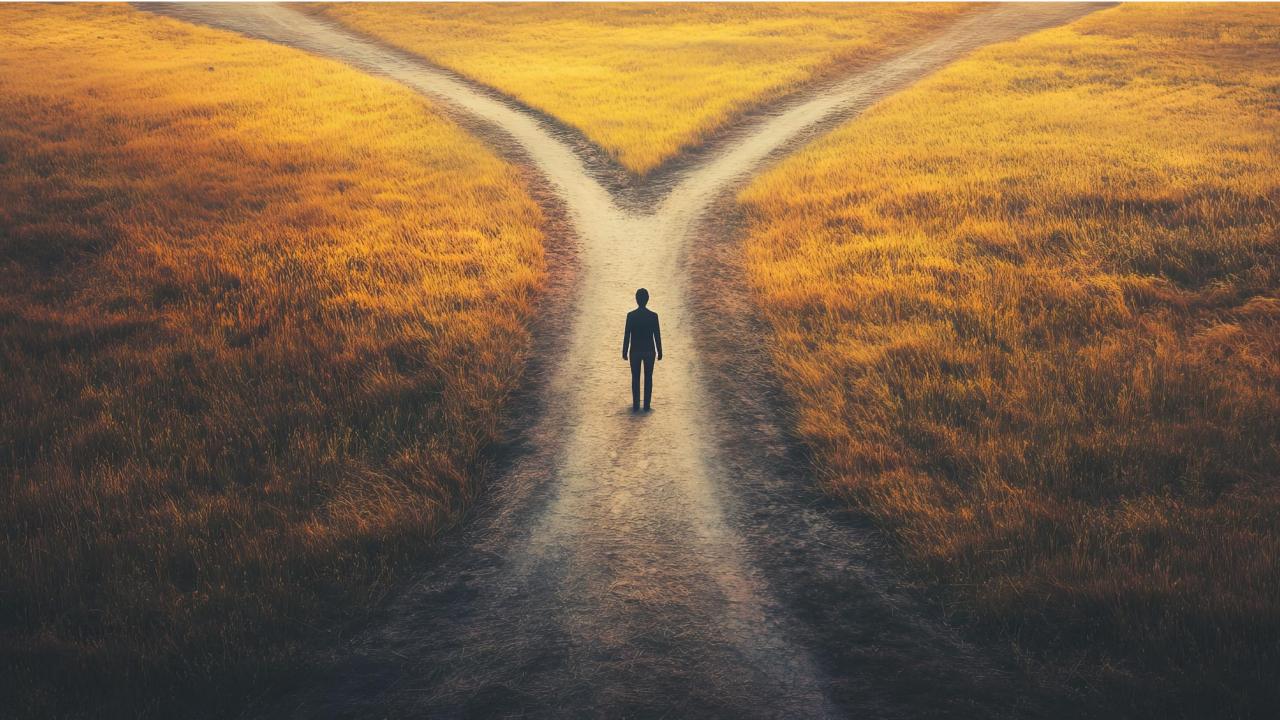


ACTS 15:36 (NIV)

Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us go back and visit the believers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing."

ACTS 15:37-38 (NIV)

[37] Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them, [38] but Paul did not think it wise to take him, because he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work.



THE EXPLOSION



ACTS 15:39a (NIV)

They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company.

THE AFTERMATH



ACTS 15:39-41 (NIV)

[39] They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus, [40] but Paul chose Silas and left, commended by the believers to the grace of the Lord. [41] He went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

1 PETER 5:13 (NLT)

Your sister church here in Babylon sends you greetings, and so does my son Mark.

2 TIMOTHY 4:9-11 (NIV)

Do your best to come to me quickly, for Demas, because he loved this world, has deserted me and has gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in my ministry.