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Acts 15 gives us a great example of how to deal with our differences:

1. Listen carefully to the both sides of the issues
2. Define the Issues (two issues must be resolved)
What must one do to be saved?
How should a Christian live?
3. Gather the evidence
4. Search the Scriptures
5. Resolve the issues
6. Communicate the Results

Lessons we can learn:

1. Diversity within the church will always present challenges
2. Differences in our church are not a problem if they are handled properly
3. We must never compromise the Gospel
4. Freedom in the Christian life requires self-discipline