

Year 3

Week 155

Paul's Trial, Shipped to Rome

Scriptures: Acts 24:1-23, 25:1-12, 26: 1-32

Key Verse: Acts 27:23,24 "For there stood by me this night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve, "saying, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must be brought before Caesar; and indeed God has granted you all those who sail with you.'

Key Points:

1. Paul speaks before the Sanhedrin to defend himself. There was an uproar again, many arguing vigorously. It became so violent they took Paul to the barracks for fear he would be torn to pieces. They were angry because of Paul's teaching of the resurrection of the dead.
2. Forty men formed a plot to kill Paul. They vowed not to eat until he was dead. The son of Paul's sister heard about the plot and told the commander. The commander told him to keep it silent then sent 200 soldiers to take Paul safely to the Governor.
3. Paul was put on trial before Felix, the governor. After listening to Paul he adjourned the trial but he and his wife Drusilla met with Paul again. They listened to his faith in Jesus but it frightened Felix. He left Paul in prison for 2 years until his successor, Festus, came into power
4. Paul appears before Governor Festus and King Agrippa. He was happy to be able to speak for himself concerning the things he was accused of. He testifies how the Lord came to him on the road to Damascus and sent him out to teach to the Gentiles. When he spoke about Christ's resurrection, it made them angry again. Festus accused him of being mad. Paul told him he was not mad, but speaking truth and reason. He knew he had made an impression on King Agrippa and Paul ask him if he believed. Agrippa said that Paul almost persuaded him to be a Christian. They all got up and left, talking among themselves that Paul had done nothing worthy of death. Agrippa grants his request to appeal to Ceasar and Paul is shipped to Rome.

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Discussion Questions – Paul’s Trials

Read Acts 23:12-33; 25; 26

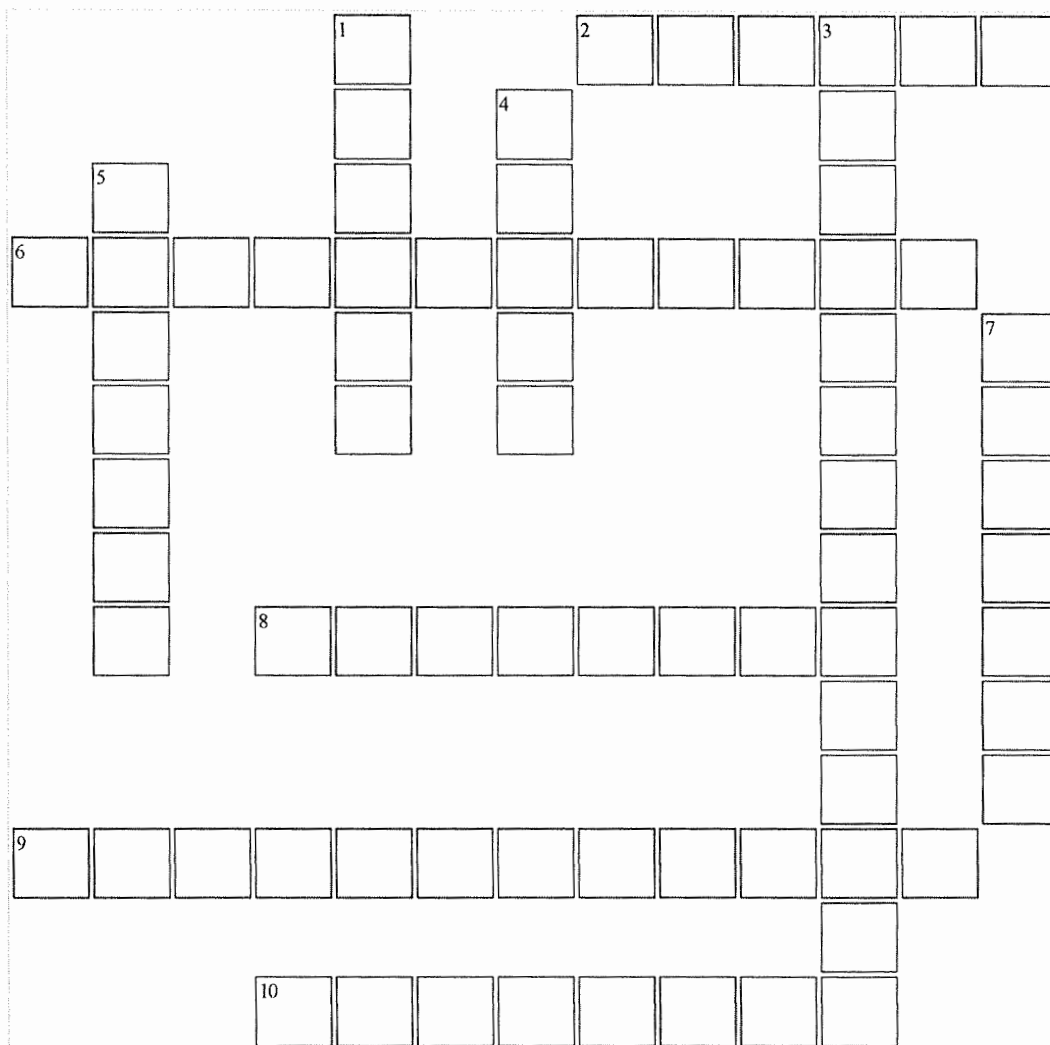
- Who were the three individuals that tried Paul at different times?
- Who was Felix?
- What was the charge against Paul?
- Did Felix free Paul?
- Who was Festus?
- What was Paul accused of this time?
- Who was the king who visited Festus?
- Who was Bernice?
- What events of his life does Paul recount to King Agrippa?
- What was King Agrippa’s response?



"Paul is sent to Felix."
Acts 23:23-24:27

Paul Before the Governors

Read the Bible story at <http://gardenofpraise.com/bibl73s.htm>



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| 2. the Roman governor after Felix | 1. Paul appealed to ____. |
| 6. Tertullus was a ____. | 3. Paul appeared before ____. |
| 8. It was God's plan for Paul to ____. | 4. a Roman governor |
| 9. Festus accused Paul of talking like an ____. | 5. wife of King Agrippa |
| 10. the length of Paul's prison term | 7. If Paul had not appealed he would have been ____. |

WORD BANK: THREE GOVERNORS, FELIX, JEWISH LAWYER, TWO YEARS, FESTUS, CAESAR, BERNICE, INSANE PERSON, SET FREE, GO TO ROME

266. PAUL IS SENT TO FELIX

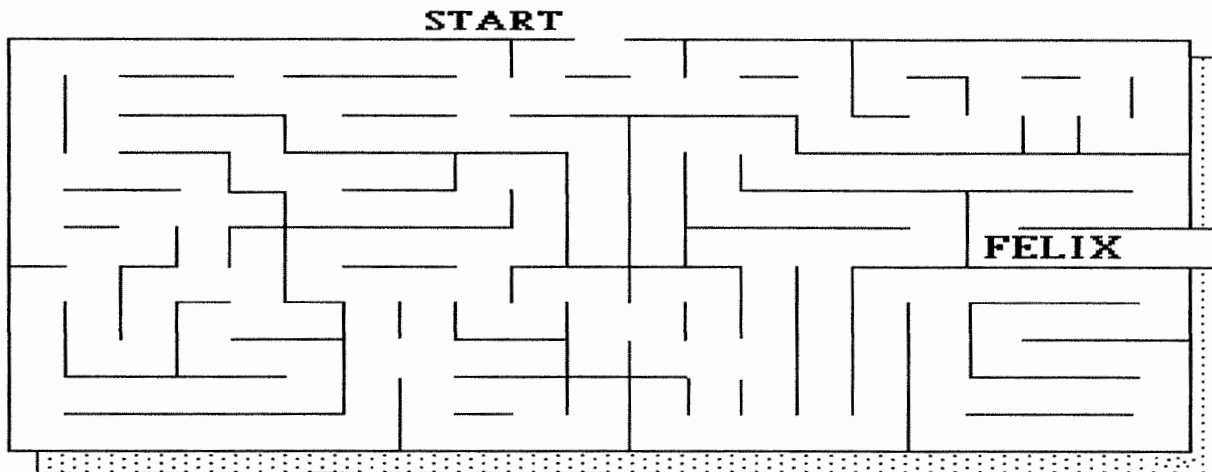
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ACCUSERS
ANANIAS
BOUND
CAESARIA
CENTURIONS
DRUSILLA

FAITH
FELIX
GOVERNOR
HORSEMEN
LAW

PAUL
PROPHETS
SOLDIERS
SPEARMEN
TWO YEARS



266. PAUL IS SENT TO FELIX (ACTS 23:23-24:27)

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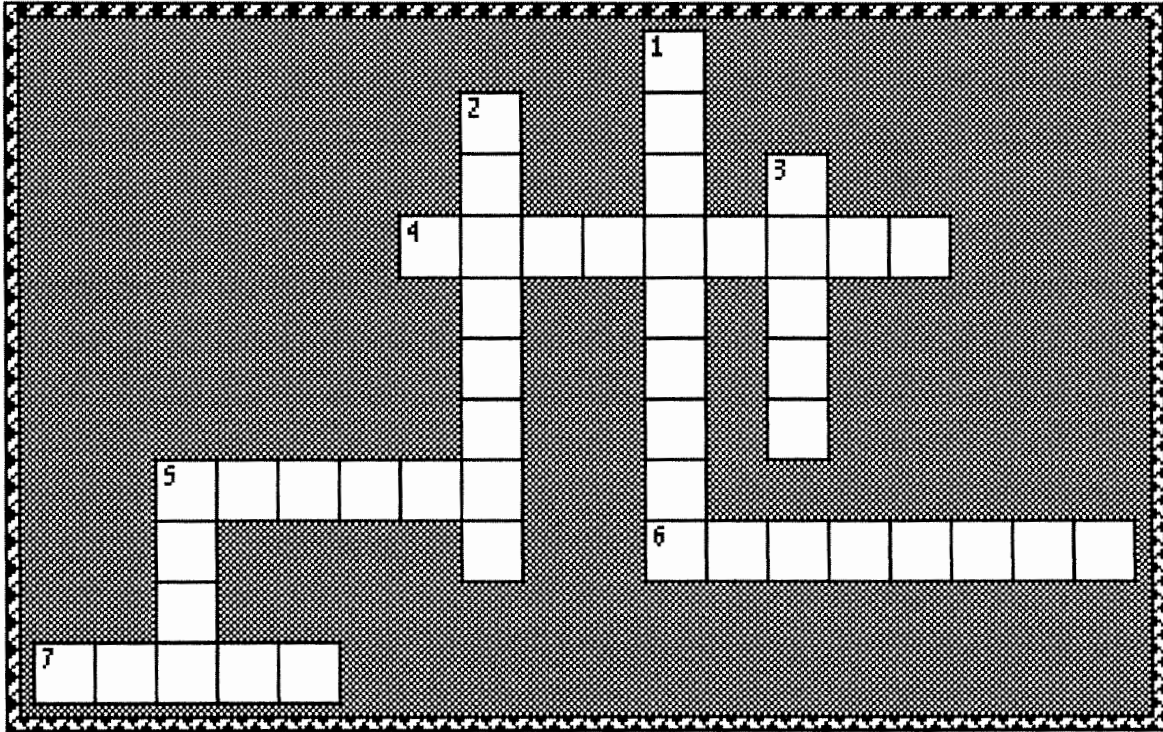
FILL IN THE BLANKS:

3. "Now after five days Ananias the high priest came down with the elders and a certain orator named Tertullus. These gave _____ to the governor against Paul." ACTS 24:1
4. "For we have found this man a _____, a creator of dissension among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes." ACTS 24:5
5. "For this I confess to you, that according to the Way which they call a sect, so I worship the God of my fathers, believing _____ things which are written in the Law and the Prophets." ACTS 24:14

TRUE OR FALSE:

6. "Now as he reasoned about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and answered, 'Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you.'" ACTS 24:25
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"Paul is brought before King Agrippa."
Acts 25:13-26:32

267. PAUL GOES BEFORE AGRIPPA (ACTS 25:13-26:32)

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ACTS 26:28

TRUE OR FALSE:

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ACTS 25:13

TRUE OR FALSE

2. "So the next day, when Agrippa and Bernice had come with great pomp, and had entered the auditorium with the commanders and the prominent men of the city, at Festus' command Paul was brought in." ACTS 25:23

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FILL IN THE BLANKS:

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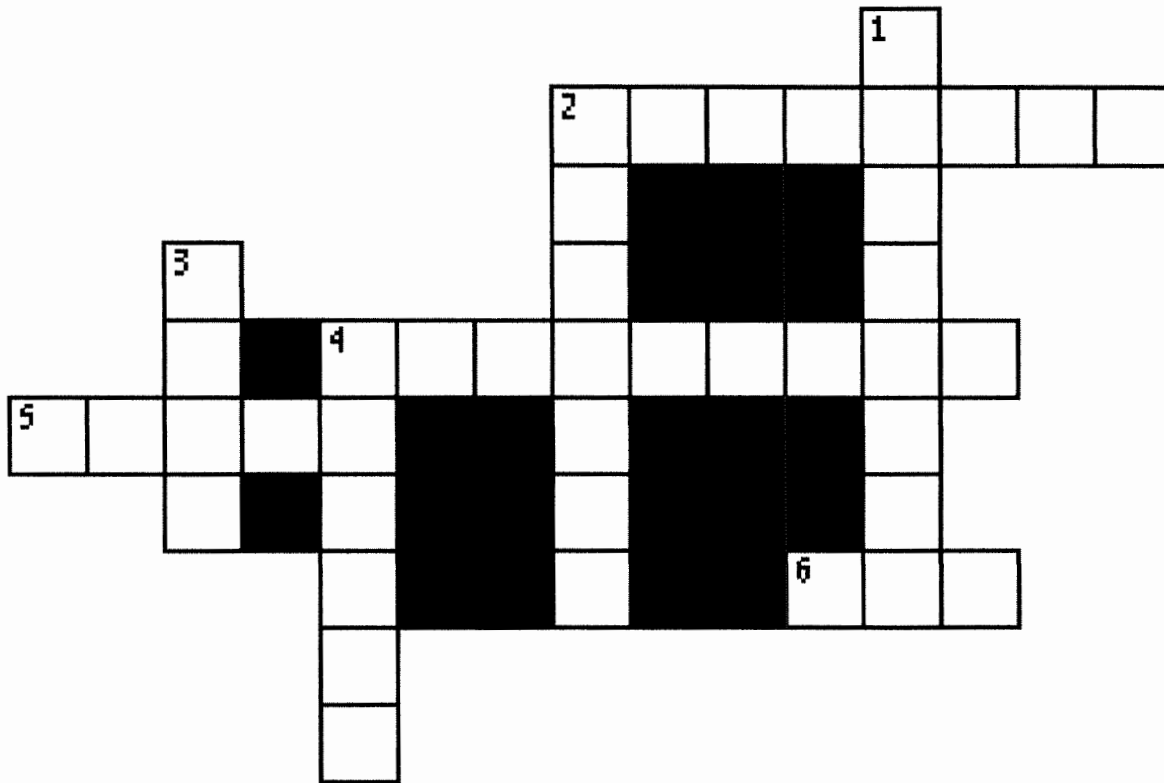
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7. "And Paul said, 'I would to God that not only you, but also all who hear me today, might become both almost and altogether such as I am, except for these _____.' " ACTS 26:29
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