

Acts 23–24 — On trial, and waiting

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2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. What does this passage show me about God?

How does God protect and encourage Paul through the plot and the trial before Felix, and how does Paul use even his imprisonment to speak about faith in Christ?

2. What does it show me about people — and about myself?

Paul strove 'always to keep my conscience clear before God and man.' Where is your conscience not clear right now — and what would clear it?

3. What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)

Felix kept putting off a decision, while Paul kept speaking of righteousness and self-control. What decision have you been putting off, and what will you decide this week?

4. Who will I tell?

Paul spoke about faith in Christ Jesus to the very governor who held him. Who holds some authority over you — a boss, an official, a landlord — that you could speak to about Jesus?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

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Lord, the night after the riot you stood near Paul and said, 'Take courage' — and then he waited two years in Caesarea. Give me courage in the storm and faithfulness in the waiting.



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