

PAUL BEFORE FELIX
Acts 24

Acts 1-2: 30 AD

Paul comes back to Jerusalem: _____

Acts 23:35

Praetorium: The palace in which the governor or procurator of a province resided (Thayer's)

From Acts 21:17-24:23 _____ ...*twelve days ago* (Acts 24:11)

Acts 24:27 _____ *But after two years passed...* (Acts 24:27)

(v.5) (Calls Paul) ...*a ringleader of the sect (haireisis) of the Nazarenes.* - Acts 24:5

(v.7) "*But Lysias the commander came along, and with much violence took him out of our hands, ordering his accusers to come before you.* (vv.7-8)

Paul's Defense (v.10)

Paul clarifies that Christianity is not a sect (haireisis) of Judaism (v.14)

1. Follower of _____ (v.14)

...*there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved.*" - Acts 4:12

Called "The Way" 6 Times in New Testament

Called "Christians" 3 Times in New Testament

2. Believed _____ (v.14)

3. Waiting for the _____ (v.15)

4. Paul's _____ affected his _____ (v.16)

Felix (v.22)

Felix: Happy (Easton's, ISBE)

Happy, Prosperous (Hitchcock's)

Felix knows enough to _____ but chooses _____ (v.22)

But Felix, having a more exact knowledge (well acquainted NIV, rather accurate knowledge ESV, more perfect knowledge) *about the Way, put them off,* - Acts 24:22

His excuse: I need _____

Felix will be _____ but not _____ (v.23)

(v.25)

And as he reasoned (dialegomai) of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.
- Acts 24:25 (KJV)

Felix trembles with _____ but delays for a more _____ time

The Tragedy of Delay: Continued hearing but now there is a lessening of _____ (v.26)

Behold, now is "THE ACCEPTABLE TIME," behold, now is "THE DAY OF SALVATION" - 2 Corinthians 6:2

Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he will with Me. - Revelation 3:20-21