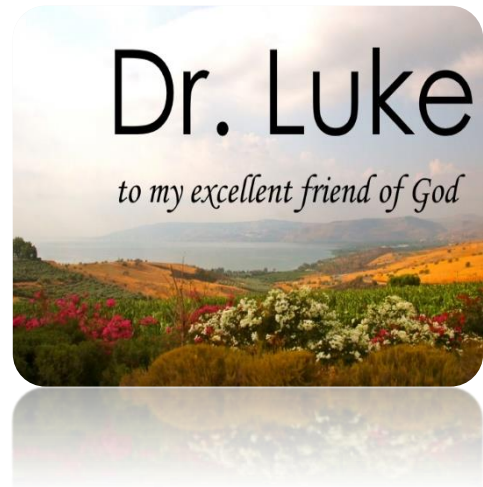


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The previous chapter ended with Paul being delivered safely to Felix the governor, And when the governor had read the letter, he asked from what province he was. And when he learned that Paul was from Cilicia; he said, I will hear you, when your accusers also arrive. And he instructed him to be kept in Herod's Hall of Justice.

Paul's testimony before Felix the governor,



**<sup>1</sup> And after five days Ananias the high priest came down with some elders, and a lawyer named Tertullus, who presented to the governor their case against Paul.**

**<sup>2</sup> And when he was called in, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Since we enjoy great peace because of you, and very worthy reforms are taking place for the benefit of this nation by your guidance,**

**<sup>3</sup> We acknowledge this always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.**

**<sup>4</sup> However, so that I will not tediously burden you further, I beg you that you would hear us and give us a brief hearing.**

**<sup>5</sup> For we have found this man a pestilent fellow, an agitator among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:**

**<sup>6</sup> who also tried to desecrate the temple: whom we apprehended, and wanted to have judged according to our law.**

**<sup>7</sup> But Lysias the commander came, and with great force took him out of our hands,**

**<sup>8</sup> demanding his accusers to come to you: by examining him yourself, you will be able to discern of all these things we accuse him of.**

**<sup>9</sup> And the Jews also concurred, alleging that these things were so.**

**<sup>10</sup> When the governor motioned for Paul to speak, he answered, Because I know you have been a judge of this nation for many years, I gladly offer my defense in what concerns me:**

**<sup>11</sup> because you understand, it is no more than 12 days since I went up to Jerusalem to worship.**

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<sup>12</sup> And they did not find me in the temple disputing with any one, nor stirring up the people, not in the synagogues, not in the city:

<sup>13</sup> nor can they provide evidence of what they now accuse me.

<sup>14</sup> But this I confess to you, I worship the God of my fathers' according to the Way, which they call a heretical sect, believing all things that are written in the law and in the prophets:

<sup>15</sup> and I have hope in God, which these also allow, that there is going to be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

<sup>16</sup> And herein do my best to always have a clear conscience toward God and men.

<sup>17</sup> After many years, I came to bring charitable gifts and offerings to my nation.

<sup>18</sup> And while doing this, some Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, not with a crowd, and not with an uproar.

<sup>19</sup> They should have been here before you, to object, if they had something against me.

<sup>20</sup> Either let these men who are present, say what wrongdoing they found in me, when I stood before the Council,

<sup>21</sup> or perhaps about the one statement that I cried out while standing among them.

Today, I am judged before you concerning the resurrection of the dead.

<sup>22</sup> And when Felix heard these things, since he was fully informed about the Way, he adjourned the hearing, and said, When Lysias the commander comes down, I will decide your case.

<sup>23</sup> And he instructed a centurion to guard Paul, and to let him have liberty, and that he should not prevent any of his friends from ministering to him.

<sup>24</sup> And after some days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was Jewish, he sent for Paul, and listened to him concerning faith in Christ Jesus / the Messiah.



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<sup>25</sup> Now as he reasoned of rightness, self-control, and judgment to come, Felix shook with fear, and said, **Leave for now; but when I have some time, I will call for you.**

<sup>26</sup> At the same time, **he was also hoping that some money would be given to him by Paul,** that he might free him: for this reason he sent often for him, and conversed with him.

<sup>27</sup> **But after two years** passed, Porcius Festus succeeded Felix. And Felix wanting to do a favor for the Jews, **left Paul in prison.**

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