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## PAUL TAUGHT ABOUT JESUS AND THE KINGDOM TILL THE END

Act 28:17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men [and] brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.

Act 28:18 Who, when they had examined me, would have let [me] go, because there was no cause of death in me.

Act 28:19 But when the Jews spake against [it], I was constrained to appeal unto Caesar; not that I had ought to accuse my nation of.

Act 28:20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see [you], and to speak with [you]: because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.

Act 28:21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

Act 28:22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.

Act 28:23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into [his] lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the **KINGDOM OF GOD**, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and [out of] the prophets, from morning till evening.

Act 28:24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

Act 28:25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,

Act 28:26 Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:

Act 28:27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with [their] eyes, and hear with [their] ears, and understand with [their] heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

Act 28:28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and [that] they will hear it.

Act 28:29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

Act 28:30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,

Act 28:31 Preaching the **KINGDOM OF GOD**, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

Note: After his third missionary journey among the Gentiles, Paul came into Jerusalem. He was interrogated by James for teaching all the Jews living among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children or observe the customs.. So he underwent a

purification ritual at the Temple in order to give the Jews no grounds to bring accusations against him for not following their law. He was taken in the Temple by Jews from Asia who started a riot and accused that he was worthy of death. As they were beating him to death, he was rescued by the Chief Captain of the Roman Garrison who was stationed there, who arrested, chained and had Paul carried into the castle (the Tower of Antonia, northwest of the Temple area). (Acts 21)

The Chief Captain was reminded that it was unlawful to scourge a Roman who was uncondemned by trial, so he would not scourge or bind Paul, but commanded the Chief Priests and their council to appear and testify what they had against him. When they appeared, an uproar arose because half were Sadducees who say there is no resurrection and half were Pharisees who say there is. Then the Chief Captain was informed that there was a conspiracy to kill Paul, so he had him brought by night to Caesarea to stand trial before Felix the Governor. (Acts 23)

Felix was a Roman procurator of Judea from 52-58 AD appointed by the Emperor Claudius. He kept Paul in prison for two years in hopes of extorting money from him. On at least one further occasion Felix and his wife Drusilla heard Paul speak, and later on he frequently sent for Paul and talked with him. When Felix was succeeded as procurator by Porcius Festus, he left Paul imprisoned as a favor to the Jews (Acts 24).

Festus asked Paul's accusers to bring their accusations against him in Caesarea. And willing to please the Jews, he asked Paul if he would go to Jerusalem to answer their charges before him. When Paul saw that he was not receiving justice from Felix and Festus, he appealed as a Roman citizen to Caesar Nero for an opportunity to defend himself in the court of Caesar.

Then King Agrippa II and his sister Queen Bernice came to pay the new governor, Festus, a visit in Caesarea. King Agrippa II was the great grandson of Herod the Great. In AD 53 he was given the territories of Iturea, Traconitis, and Abilene. Later he was given the territory of Perea and certain cities of Galilee as well. While they were there, Festus consulted with King Agrippa as to what he should write on the charge sheet to be sent to Rome with Paul. When Agrippa heard that Paul was there, he requested Paul be brought before him to make his case. (Acts 25)

When Paul had defended himself before King Agrippa, Bernice and Festus, King Agrippa said that he had done nothing worthy of death or bonds. And he might have been released if he had not appealed to Caesar. (Acts 26)

Paul was committed to a centurion with other prisoners and they set sail for Italy. The ship met with misfortune and they ended up on an island called Melita. Publius, the chief man of the island lodged them and Paul healed his father as well as many others who had diseases.

When they finally came to Rome the centurion delivered the prisoners to the Captain of the Guard, and Paul was allowed to live by himself with a soldier who kept him under house arrest.

It was at this time that Paul called the chief Jews together according to the above scriptures, and presented his case to them. But they had never heard of his being arrested and were curious to hear his message. So he preached the KINGDOM OF GOD to them. (Acts 28:23) Some believed and some didn't.

And this is the end of the book of Acts and the last we hear of Paul, that he dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him, preaching the KINGDOM OF GOD, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him. (Act 28:30-31)

Neither the Bible nor other history says how or when Paul died. According to Christian tradition, Paul was beheaded in Rome during the reign of Nero around the mid-60s.