ACTS 24

ACTS 24:1

1 And after five days Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and *with* a certain orator *named* Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul.

ACTS 24:2

2 And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse *him*, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done unto this nation by thy providence,

ACTS 24:3

3 We accept *it* always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.

ACTS 24:4

4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee, I pray thee that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.

ACTS 24:5

5 For we have found this man *a* pestilent *fellow*, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:

ACTS 24:6

6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law.

ACTS 24:7

7 But the chief captain Lysias came *upon us*, and with great violence took *him* away out of our hands,

ACTS 24:8

8 Commanding his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of whom thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.

ACTS 24:9

9 And the Jews also assented, saying that these things were so.

ACTS 24:10

10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered, Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself:

ACTS 24:11

11 Because that thou mayest understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem for to worship.

ACTS 24:12

12 And they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up the people, neither in the synagogues, nor in the city:

ACTS 24:13

13 Neither can they prove the things whereof they now accuse me.

ACTS 24:14

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

ACTS 24:15

15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

ACTS 24:16

16 And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and *toward* men.

ACTS 24:17

17 Now after many years I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.

ACTS 24:18

18 Whereupon certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with multitude, nor with tumult.

ACTS 24:19

19 Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, if they had ought against me.

ACTS 24:20

20 Or else let these same *here* say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood before the council,

ACTS 24:21

21 Except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.

ACTS 24:22

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22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of *that* way, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter.

ACTS 24:23

23 And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let *him* have liberty, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him.

ACTS 24:24

24 And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ.

ACTS 24:25

25 And as he reasoned 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 24:26

26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.

ACTS 24:27

27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.