

## Bible Study 15 – Paul’s defense – Acts 24:5-27

*A legend tells of the devil summoning his evil forces to consider how best to keep the world on his side. One demon said, “Send me. I will tell them that there is no God.” Satan replied, “They will never believe you. Most of them know that there is a God.” Another said, “Send me. I’ll tell them that there is no heaven or hell.” Satan shook his head, “That will never do. They know that there is life after death.” Then a third spoke, “Send me. I’ll tell them there is a God, a heaven, and a hell, but there’s no hurry to decide.” “Ah,” said Satan with satisfaction, “that is the best plan!” He was sent out into the world to spread this lie.*

<b>The context</b>	After the Day of Pentecost, the gospel was preached to Jews and then to Gentiles. Paul’s first missionary journey was to Cyprus and south-eastern Turkey where they established churches. Then Paul established churches on his second and third missionary journeys to Turkey and Greece. Finally, he was arrested in Jerusalem by Roman soldiers for causing a riot. Then Paul spoke to the people and the Sanhedrin. Then the Jews tried to kill Paul, but the Romans took him to be tried by the Governor, Felix.
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### ***PART 1 Read & then write each section in your own words – Acts 24: 5-27***

Accusations (v.5-9)	
Defense – Part 1 (v.10-16)	
Defense – Part 2 (v.17-21)	
Indecision (v.22-27)	

### ***PART 2 Things I discovered in this passage***

***1. What does it teach about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit?***

***2. What does it teach about people?***

***3. Summarize a key verse in your own words.***

***4. In your opinion, what is the main point being taught in this passage?***

***5. Which other parts of the passage caught your attention?***

***6. How did the Roman Governor of Judea respond to the gospel message (v.24-25)?***

***7. Which parts of the passage were difficult to understand? What questions come to your mind?***

Paul defended the accusations made against him and witnessed to the cruel and immoral Roman Governor who kept him imprisoned for two years.



# Obey

Since God's word is true, what must I change in my life to obey God?  
What must I do to obey?

I will
I will
I will

### Questions to help me apply this study to myself

- Is there a *SIN* for me to avoid?
- Is there a *PROMISE* from God for me to claim?
- Is there an *EXAMPLE* for me to follow?
- Is there a **COMMANDMENT** or **MODEL** for me to follow?

## Share

<b>Who will I tell about this Bible passage?</b>

**Who needs help?** What can we do to help over the next two weeks?

Person	How will I help them?

## Prayer

One thing you are thankful for.

One thing that's bothering you or causing stress.

Is there anything this group can do to help you?

**Date:**

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