



Introduction

Paul appears before Festus, Agrippa and Bernice.

Paul states his case to Festus and King Agrippa. They agree that Paul could have been released if he hadn't appealed to Caesar.



Questions

1. What does Paul say he is being judged for?
2. What were the reactions of Festus and Agrippa to Paul's speech?
3. What was the verdict of Agrippa and Festus?

Summary Points

- **v 1 to 8** Paul acknowledges that Agrippa is familiar with Jewish customs. He tells him that all know that he used to be a strict Pharisee and that he looks for the fulfilment of the promise made to the Jewish fathers
- **v 9 to 11** Paul explains that he initially was so strongly against the followers of Jesus that he persecuted and killed many
- **v 12 to 18** He describes his conversion and the command he was given to preach
- **v 19 to 23** He tells Agrippa that he obeyed Jesus' command to preach that Jesus, the Christ, died and rose from the dead, as the prophets had predicted (see theme)
- **v 24 to 29** After Festus accuses Paul of insanity, Paul assures him that all this is well known. After Agrippa accuses Paul of trying to make him a Christian, Paul confirms that he wants everyone to have his faith
- **v 30 to 32** Agrippa and Festus agree that he is innocent and would have been set free if he had not appealed to Caesar

Timeline AD 60 (see below)

Theme

The work of Jesus was foretold in the Old Testament

A selection from the many verses showing that the work of Jesus was foretold in the Old Testament.

After his resurrection, on two occasions Jesus tells his disciples that his suffering and resurrection have been predicted in the Old Testament:

Luke 24 verses 25 to 27, 44 to 47

Peter tells his hearers that several other prophecies were fulfilled by Jesus Christ:

Acts 3 verses 22 to 24



The apostle Peter also says that Jesus is the fulfillment of the promise to Abraham that all

nations will be blessed through one of his descendants:

Acts 3 verses 25 and 26

Paul tells his hearers that several prophecies were fulfilled when Jesus was put to death:

Acts 13 verses 27 to 29

Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 6 and 7, Q 2: Festus, v 24, Agrippa, v 28, Q 3: v 31 and 32



Bible timeline

