

On Trial Message 10

Perry Duggar June 13, 2021

Outline

When Paul was called in, Tertullus presented the charges...

Acts 24:2 (NLT)

A. Introduction

"If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?"

- B. If tried for your faith... (Acts 24:1-27)
 - 1. Anticipate ______ accusations. (Acts 24:1-9. C/R: John 3:19; 15:18-21; 1 Corinthians 1:18; 2 Corinthians 2:16)

2. Assert ______ answers. (Acts 24:10-21. C/R: 2 Corinthians 10:3-5; Titus 1:9; 1 Peter 3:13-16; Jude 3)

3. Address ______attitudes. (Acts 24:22-27. C/R: Luke 6:46-49; 1 Corinthians 3:18-19; 2 Corinthians 6:2; Hebrews 3:12-15)

Answers: 1. false 2. faithful 3. foolish

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Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit <u>brookwoodchurch.org/adults</u>.

Conversation Starter

Describe a time when you were accused of wrongdoing.

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read <u>Acts 24:1-21</u>.

1. How would you describe the statement by Tertullus in <u>verses 2-4</u>?

- 2. What three accusations did Tertullus make against Paul?
- 3. What part of the accusations did Paul show were untrue? What part did Paul acknowledge as true?
- 4. What are three things Paul stated about his beliefs in <u>verses 14-16</u>?
- 5. How would you express your belief in God in a concise way?

Read <u>Acts 24:22-27</u>.

6. <u>Verse 22</u> says that Felix was *quite familiar with the Way*. What's the difference between being familiar with the Way of Jesus and putting your faith in the Way of Jesus?

- 7. Why do you think Felix became frightened in <u>verse 25</u>?
- 8. If you were on trial due to your faith in Jesus, what would you say are your top two reasons for placing your faith in Jesus?
- 9. Paul shared his faith with Felix while waiting in prison a few years. What do you feel you're waiting on God to do?

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is something we do to interrupt our usual thoughts, feelings and patterns, enabling us to move more deeply into the life of Christ.

List three key things you believe about Jesus. Then, share with someone why those beliefs are significant to you.

Memory Verse

Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it. <u>1Peter 3:15 (NLT)</u>

Daily Reading

 Day 1: 2 Corinthians 2:14-17
 Day 4: Luke 6:46-49

 Day 2: 1 Peter 3:13-18
 Day 5: Hebrews 3:12-15

 Day 3: 1 Corinthians 3:18-20

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, June 20, we'll continue our series titled *Church Extended*. To prepare, read <u>Acts 25:13-26:32</u>.



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