

The Acts Of The Apostles

- 1:1 The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,
- 1:2 Until the day in which He ascended, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles who He had chosen:
- 1:3 To whom also He showed Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:
- 1:4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, He said, you have heard from Me.
- 1:5 For John truly baptized with water; but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.
- 1:6 Therefore when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, Lord, will You at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?
- 1:7 But He said to them, **It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father has put in His own power.**
- **1:8 But you will receive power, after the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and you will be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth.**
- 1:9 When he had spoken these things, while they beheld, He ascended; and a cloud received Him out of their sight.
- 1:10 While they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He ascended, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;
- 1:11 Who also said, You men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who ascended from you

into heaven, will so come in like manner as you have seen Him go into heaven.

- 1:12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a Sabbath day's journey.
- 1:13 When they had come in, they went up into an upper room, where stayed both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James.
- 1:14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.
- 1:15 In those days Peter stood up in the middle of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about a hundred and twenty,)
- 1:16 Men and brothers, this scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit by the mouth of David spoke before concerning Judas, who was guide to them that took Jesus.
- 1:17 For he was numbered with us, and had shared in this ministry.
- 1:18 Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst apart in the middle, and all his insides gushed out.
- 1:19 And it was known to all the dwellers at Jerusalem; so that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The Field of Blood.
- 1:20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell in it: and, Let another take his office.
- 1:21 Therefore of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,

- 1:22 Beginning from the baptism of John, to that same day that He ascended, one must be ordained to be a witness with us of His resurrection.
 - 1:23 Then they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.
 - 1:24 So they prayed, and said, You, Lord, who know the hearts of all men, show who of these two You have chosen,
 - 1:25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.
 - 1:26 Then they gave out their lots; and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.
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- 2:1 When the day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.
- 2:2 Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
- 2:3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues just as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.
- 2:4 So they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
- 2:5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.
- 2:6 Now when this was reported abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because every man heard them speak in his own language.
- 2:7 And they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, Behold, are not all these who speak Galileans?
- 2:8 But how do we hear every man in our own tongue, in which we were born?

- 2:9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,
- 2:10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and converts,
- 2:11 Cretans and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God!
- 2:12 Then they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying to one another, What means this?
- 2:13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.
- 2:14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said to them, You men of Judea, and all you that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known to you, and listen to my words:
- 2:15 For these are not drunk, as you suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.
- 2:16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;
- 2:17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters will prophesy, and your young men will see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:
- 2:18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit; and they will prophesy:
- 2:19 And I will show wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke:
- 2:20 The sun will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes
- 2:21 And it will come to pass, that whoever will call on the name of the Lord will be saved.
- 2:22 You men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved by God among you by miracles and

wonders and signs, which God did by Him in the midst of you, as you yourselves also know:

- 2:23 Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and killed:
- 2:24 Who God has raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that He should be held by it.
- 2:25 For David speaks concerning Him, I saw the Lord always before my face, for He is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:
- 2:26 Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh will rest in hope:
- 2:27 Because you will not leave my soul in hell, neither will you permit Your Holy One to see corruption.
- 2:28 You have made known to me the ways of life; You will make me full of joy with your presence.
- 2:29 Men and brothers, let me freely speak to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.
- 2:30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;
- 2:31 He seeing this before spoke of the resurrection of Christ, that His soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.
- 2:32 This Jesus has God raised up, which we all are witnesses.
- 2:33 Therefore being at the right hand of God exalted, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured out this, which you now see and hear.

- 2:34 For David has not ascended into the heavens: but he said himself, The Lord said to My Lord, Sit on My right hand,
- 2:35 Until I make Your enemies Your footstool.
- 2:36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God has made the same Jesus, who you have crucified, both Lord and Christ.
- 2:37 Now when they heard this, they were convicted in their heart, and said to Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brothers, what will we do?
- 2:38 Then Peter said to them, Repent, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- 2:39 For the promise is to you, and to your children, and to all that are far off, just as many as the LORD our God will call.
- 2:40 Then with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this perverse generation.
- 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added to them about three thousand souls.
- 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.
- 2:43 For fear came on every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.
- 2:44 And all that believed were together, and had all things in common;
- 2:45 And sold their lands and goods, and divided them to all men, as every man had need.

- 2:46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their food with gladness and singleness of heart,
 - 2:47 Praising God, and having favor with all the people. For the Lord added to the assembly daily those who were being saved.
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- 3:1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.
- 3:2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;
- 3:3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.
- 3:4 Then Peter, fastening his eyes on him with John, said, Look at us!
- 3:5 He gave attention to them, expecting to receive something.
- 3:6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.
- 3:7 He took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.
- 3:8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God!
- 3:9 Then all the people saw him walking and praising God:
3:10 For they knew that it was he who sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened to him.

- 3:11 So as the lame man who was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.
- 3:12 When Peter saw it, he answered to the people, You men of Israel, why marvel at this? Or why look you so intently on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?
- 3:13 The God of Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified His Son Jesus; who you delivered up, and denied Him in the presence of Pilate, when He was determined to let him go.
- 3:14 But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted to you;
- 3:15 And killed the Prince of life, who God has raised from the dead; which we are witnesses.
- 3:16 And His name through faith in His name has made this man strong, who you see and know: yes, the faith which is by Him has given him this complete healing in the presence of you all.
- 3:17 Now, brothers, I know that through ignorance you did it, as did also your rulers.
- 3:18 But those things, which God before had showed by the mouth of all His prophets, that Christ should suffer, He has so fulfilled.
- 3:19 Therefore repent, and turn, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing will come from the presence of the Lord.
- 3:20 And He will send Jesus Christ, who before was preached to you:
- 3:21 Whom the heavens must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

- 3:22 For Moses truly said to the fathers, A prophet will the Lord Your God raise up to you from your brothers, like me; Him will you hear in all things whatever He will say to you.
 - 3:23 And it will come to pass, that every soul, who will not hear that prophet, will be destroyed from among the people.
 - 3:24 Yes, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.
 - 3:25 You are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying to Abraham, And in your seed will all the families of the earth be blessed.
 - 3:26 To you first, God, having raised up His Son Jesus, sent Him to bless you, in turning away everyone of you from your iniquities.
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- 4:1 As they spoke to the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,
- 4:2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.
- 4:3 Then they laid hands on them, and put them in jail until the next day: for it was now evening.
- 4:4 However many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.
- 4:5 And it came to pass on the next day, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,
- 4:6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the relatives of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.
- 4:7 When they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have you done this?

- 4:8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, You rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,
- 4:9 If we this day are judged for the good deed done to the helpless man, by what means is he made whole;
- 4:10 Be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, who you crucified, who God raised from the dead, even by Him does this man stand here before you healthy.
- 4:11 This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.
- 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is no other name under heaven given among men, which we must be saved.
- 4:13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.
- 4:14 And beholding the man who was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.
- 4:15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,
- 4:16 Saying, What will we do to these men? For that indeed a great miracle has been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it.
- 4:17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us strictly threaten them, that they speak from now on to no man in this name.
- 4:18 Then they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.
- 4:19 But Peter and John answered and said to them, Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge.

- 4:20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.
- 4:21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done.
- 4:22 For the man was more than forty years old, on who this miracle of healing was showed.
- 4:23 Then being let go, they went to their own companions, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them.
- 4:24 When they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, You are God, who made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:
- 4:25 Who by the mouth of Your servant David have said, Why did the nations rage, and the people imagine vain things?
- 4:26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.
- 4:27 For truly against Your holy Servant Jesus, who You have anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the nations, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,
- 4:28 For to do whatever Your hand and Your counsel determined before to be done.
- 4:29 Now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant to Your servants, that with all boldness they may speak Your word,
- 4:30 By stretching out Your hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of Your holy Servant Jesus.
- 4:31 When they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with

the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness!

- 4:32 For the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that anything of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things in common.
 - 4:33 So with great power the apostles gave witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.
 - 4:34 Neither were there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the price of the things that were sold,
 - 4:35 And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made to every man according as he had need.
 - 4:36 Then Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of encouragement,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus,
 - 4:37 Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.
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- 5:1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold land,
- 5:2 But kept back part of the price, his wife also being aware to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet.
- 5:3 But Peter said, Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to keep back part of the price of the land?
- 5:4 While it remained, was it not your own? After it was sold, was it not in your own power? Why have you conceived

this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men, but to God.

- 5:5 Then Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.
- 5:6 So the young men arose, wrapped him up, and took him away, and buried him.
- 5:7 It was about the space of three hours later, when his wife, not knowing what had happened, came in.
- 5:8 Then Peter answered her, Tell me whether you sold the land for so much? And she said, Yes, for so much.
- 5:9 Then Peter said to her, How is it that you have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and will take you away.
- 5:10 Immediately she fell down at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, taking her away, buried her by her husband.
- 5:11 So great fear came upon all the assembly, and upon as many as heard these things.
- 5:12 For by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders done among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch.
- 5:13 But of the rest no man dared join himself to them: but the people magnified them.
- 5:14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.
- 5:15 So much so that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

- 5:16 There came also a multitude out of the cities around Jerusalem, bringing sick people, and those who were possessed with unclean spirits: and they were all healed.
- 5:17 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation,
- 5:18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.
- 5:19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them out, and said,
- 5:20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.
- 5:21 When they heard that, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the elders of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.
- 5:22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned and told,
- 5:23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing outside before the doors: but when we opened them, we found no man within.
- 5:24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted what the outcome would be.
- 5:25 Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men who you put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.
- 5:26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, unless they should have been stoned.
- 5:27 When they had brought them, they placed them before the council: and the high priest asked them,

- 5:28 Saying, Did not we strictly command you that you should not teach in this name? But, behold, you have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this Man's blood upon us.
- 5:29 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.
- 5:30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you killed and hanged on a tree.
- 5:31 Him has God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, and to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.
- 5:32 Now we are His witnesses of these things; and so also is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to them that obey Him.
- 5:33 When they heard that, they were cut to the heart, and took counsel to kill them.
- 5:34 Then there stood up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, having in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles out a little while;
- 5:35 And said to them, You men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what you are about to do concerning these men.
- 5:36 For before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was killed; and all, as many as obeyed him, were scattered, and came to nothing.
- 5:37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and took away many people after him: he also perished; and all, just as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.
- 5:38 Now I say to you, Keep away from these men, and leave them alone: for if this plan or this work be of men, it will come to nothing:

- 5:39 But if it be of God, you cannot overthrow it; unless you are found to even fight against God.
 - 5:40 Then to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.
 - 5:41 So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name.
 - 5:42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they stopped not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.
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- 6:1 In those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring by the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution.
- 6:2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples to them, and said, It is not reasonable that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.
- 6:3 Therefore, brothers, select among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.
- 6:4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.
- 6:5 Now the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a convert from Antioch:
- 6:6 Who they placed before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them.
- 6:7 So the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

- 6:8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.
 - 6:9 Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.
 - 6:10 But they were not able to resist the wisdom and the Spirit by who he spoke.
 - 6:11 Then they secretly induced men, who said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God.
 - 6:12 So they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council,
 - 6:13 And set up false witnesses, who said, This man stops not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:
 - 6:14 For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place, and will change the customs which Moses delivered us.
 - 6:15 Then all that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.
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- 7:1 Then said the high priest, Are these things so?
- 7:2 He said, Men, brothers, and fathers, listen; The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelled in Haran,
- 7:3 And said to him, Get out of your country, and from your relatives, and come into the land which I will show you.
- 7:4 Then he came out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and dwelled in Haran: and from there, when his father was dead, He moved him to this land, in which you now dwell.

- 7:5 And He gave him no inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on: Yet He promised that He would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as yet he had no child.
- 7:6 But God spoke in this way, That his seed should dwell in a strange land; and that they should bring them into bondage, and oppress them four hundred years.
- 7:7 And the nation to who they will be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that will they come out, and serve Me in this place.
- 7:8 And He gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs.
- 7:9 But the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,
- 7:10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh, ruler of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.
- 7:11 Now there came a famine over all the land of Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance.
- 7:12 But when Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.
- 7:13 At the second time Joseph was made known to his brothers; and Joseph's family was made known to Pharaoh.
- 7:14 Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, and all his family, seventy-five souls.
- 7:15 So Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers,

- 7:16 And was carried back into Shechem, and laid in the tomb that Abraham bought for a sum of money from the sons of Emmor the father of Shechem.
- 7:17 But when the time of the promise came close, which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt,
- 7:18 Until another Pharaoh arose, who did not know Joseph.
- 7:19 The same dealt deceptively with our people, and badly treated our fathers, so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.
- 7:20 In which time Moses was born, and was exceedingly fair, and nourished up in his father's house three months:
- 7:21 When he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter held him, and nourished him as her own son.
- 7:22 And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.
- 7:23 When he was forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brothers, the children of Israel.
- 7:24 So seeing one of them suffer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him that was oppressed, and struck down the Egyptian:
- 7:25 For he supposed his brothers would have understood that God by his hand would deliver them: but they did not understand.
- 7:26 Then the next day he showed himself to them as they argued, and would have reconciled them, and said, Sirs, you are brothers; why do you wrong one another?
- 7:27 But he that did his neighbor wrong thrust him away, and said, Who made you a ruler and a judge over us?
- 7:28 Do you want to kill me, as you did the Egyptian yesterday?
- 7:29 Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Midian, where he begat two sons.

- 7:30 When forty years had passed, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sinai an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.
- 7:31 When Moses saw it, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold it, the voice of the LORD came to him,
- 7:32 Saying, I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and dared not look.
- 7:33 Then said the Lord to him, Put off your sandals from your feet: for the place where you stand is holy ground.
- 7:34 I have seen, I have seen the affliction of My people whom are in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and have come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send you into Egypt.
- 7:35 This Moses who they refused, saying, Who made you a ruler and a judge? The same did God send to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel who appeared to him in the bush.
- 7:36 He brought them out, after he had showed wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the Red Sea, and in the wilderness forty years.
- 7:37 This is that Moses, who said to the children of Israel, A prophet will the Lord your God raise up to you of your brothers, like me; him will you hear.
- 7:38 This is he, that was in the assembly in the wilderness with the angel who spoke to him on the mount Sinai, and with our fathers: who received the living oracles for us:
- 7:39 To whom our fathers would not obey, but rejected, and in their hearts turned back into Egypt,
- 7:40 Saying to Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for as for this Moses, who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we know not what has become of him.

- 7:41 Then they made a calf in those days, and offered sacrifices to the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands.
- 7:42 Then God turned, and gave them up to worship the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, O you house of Israel, have you offered to Me slain animals and sacrifices by the space of forty years in the wilderness?
- 7:43 Yes, you took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which you made to worship them: and I will take you away beyond Babylon.
- 7:44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking to Moses, that he should make it according to the pattern that he had seen.
- 7:45 Which also our fathers that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the nations, who God drove out before the face of our fathers, to the days of David;
- 7:46 Who found favor before God, and wanted to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.
- 7:47 But Solomon built Him a house.
- 7:48 However the most High dwells not in temples made with hands; as says the prophet,
- 7:49 Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool: what house will you build Me? says the Lord: Or what is the place of My rest?
- 7:50 Has not My hand made all these things?
- 7:51 You stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears. You always resist the Holy Spirit: as your fathers did, so do you!
- 7:52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? And they have slain those who foretold the

coming of the Just One; of who you now have become the betrayers and murderers:

- 7:53 Who have received the law by the direction of angels, and have not kept it.
 - 7:54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with their teeth.
 - 7:55 But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God,
 - 7:56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing at the right hand of God.
 - 7:57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,
 - 7:58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.
 - 7:59 So they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.
 - 7:60 Then he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, do not charge them with this sin. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.
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- 8:1 So Saul was consented to his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the assembly who were at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.
- 8:2 And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.
- 8:3 As for Saul, he made havoc of the assembly, entering into every house, and taking away men and women, and committed them into prison.

- 8:4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.
- 8:5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ to them.
- 8:6 And the people with one accord gave heed to those things which Philip spoke, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.
- 8:7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voices, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many paralytics, and that were lame, were healed.
- 8:8 And there was great joy in that city.
- 8:9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, who beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the nation of Samaria, claiming himself as some great one:
- 8:10 To who they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.
- 8:11 And to him they had regard, because for a long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.
- 8:12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.
- 8:13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.
- 8:14 Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John:
- 8:15 Who, when they had come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit:
- 8:16 For as yet He had fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
- 8:17 Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

- 8:18 When Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money,
- 8:19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Spirit.
- 8:20 But Peter said to him, Your money perish with you, because you have thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.
- 8:21 You have neither part nor portion in this matter: for your heart is not right in the sight of God.
- 8:22 Therefore repent of your wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you.
- 8:23 For I perceive that you are full of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.
- 8:24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray you to the LORD for me, that none of these things which you have spoken come on me.
- 8:25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.
- 8:26 Then the angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, and said, Arise, and go toward the south to the way that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza, which is deserted.
- 8:27 So he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure, had come to Jerusalem to worship,
- 8:28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Isaiah the prophet.
- 8:29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, Go near, and overtake this chariot.

- 8:30 Then Philip ran from here to there, and heard him read the prophet Isaiah, and said, Do you understand what you read?
 - 8:31 But he said, How can I, unless some man should guide me? So he asked Philip if he would come up and sit with him.
 - 8:32 The place of the Scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a mute lamb before his shearer, so opened He not His mouth:
 - 8:33 In His humiliation His judgment was taken away: and who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth.
 - 8:34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray you, of who speaks the prophet? Of himself, or of some other man?
 - 8:35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same Scripture, and preached to him Jesus.
 - 8:36 As they went on their way, they came to a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what does prevent me from being baptized?
 - 8:37 And Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, you may. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
 - 8:38 So he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
 - 8:39 When they had come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord seized Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.
 - 8:40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, until he came to Caesarea.
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- 9:1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest,
- 9:2 And asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, that if he found any of the Way, if they were men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.
- 9:3 As he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined around him a light from heaven:
- 9:4 So he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying to him, **Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me?**
- 9:5 And he said, Who are You, Lord? And the Lord said, **I am Jesus who you persecute: it is hard for you to kick against the goads.**
- 9:6 And trembling and astonished he said, Lord, what will You have me to do? Then the Lord said to him, **Arise, and go into the city, and it will be told what you must do.**
- 9:7 And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.
- 9:8 Then Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus.
- 9:9 He was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.
- 9:10 And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, **Ananias**. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord.
- 9:11 So the Lord said to him, **Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prays,**
- **9:12 And has seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.**
- 9:13 Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many about this man, how much evil he has done to Your saints at Jerusalem:

- 9:14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on Your name.
- 9:15 But the Lord said to him, *Go your way: for he is a chosen vessel to Me, to bear My name before the nations, and kings, and the children of Israel:*
- *9:16 For I will show him what great things he must suffer for My name's sake.*
- 9:17 So Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared to you on the way as you came, has sent me, that you might receive your sight, and be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- 9:18 Immediately there fell from his eyes as if it had been scales: and immediately he received sight, and arose, and was baptized.
- 9:19 When he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.
- 9:20 And immediately he preached Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.
- 9:21 But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed those who called on this name in Jerusalem, and came here for that intent, that he might bring them bound to the chief priests?
- 9:22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelled at Damascus, proving that this Jesus is the Christ.
- 9:23 After many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:
- 9:24 But their ambush became known to Saul. For they watched the gates day and night to kill him.
- 9:25 Then the disciples led him by night, and let him down by the wall in a basket.

- 9:26 When Saul had come to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and did not believe that he was a disciple.
- 9:27 But Barnabas met him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared to them how he had seen the Lord on the way, and that He had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.
- 9:28 So he was with them at Jerusalem coming in and going out
- 9:29 For he spoke boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they planned to kill him.
- 9:30 Which when the brothers knew, they brought him down to Caesarea, and sent him out to Tarsus.
- 9:31 Then had the assemblies rest throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, were multiplied.
- 9:32 And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout all parts of the country, he came down also to the saints who dwelled at Lydda.
- 9:33 There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years, and was a paralytic.
- 9:34 Then Peter said to him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you: Arise, and make your bed. Immediately he arose.
- 9:35 So all that dwelled at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.
- 9:36 Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did.
- 9:37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: who when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber.

- 9:38 Since Lydda was close to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent to him two men, asking him that he would come to them speedily.
 - 9:39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.
 - 9:40 But Peter put them all out, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.
 - 9:41 Then he gave her his hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive.
 - 9:42 So it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord.
 - 9:43 And it came to pass, that he stayed many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.
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- 10:1 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Legion,
- 10:2 A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, who gave generously to the people, and always prayed to God.
- 10:3 He saw in a vision clearly about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming to him, and saying to him, Cornelius.
- 10:4 When he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said to him, Your prayers and your giving have come up for a memorial before God.
- 10:5 Now send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter:
- 10:6 He stays with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the seaside: He will tell you what you should do.

- 10:7 When the angel who spoke to Cornelius left, he called two of his household servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually;
- 10:8 When he had explained all these things to them, he sent them to Joppa.
- 10:9 On the next day, as they went on their journey, and came close to the city, Peter went up on the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:
- 10:10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance,
- 10:11 And saw heaven opened, and a certain object descending upon him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:
- 10:12 In which were all manner of four-footed animals of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and birds of the air.
- 10:13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.
- 10:14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean.
- 10:15 And the voice spoke to him again the second time, What God has cleansed, that do not call common.
- 10:16 This was done three times: and the object was received up again into heaven.
- 10:17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men who were sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate,
- 10:18 And called, and asked whether Simon, who was surnamed Peter, was staying there.
- 10:19 While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said to him, Behold, three men seek you.

- 10:20 Therefore arise, and get down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.
- 10:21 Then Peter went down to the men who were sent to him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he who you seek: What is the reason why you have come?
- 10:22 So they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that fears God, and has a good reputation among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by a holy angel to send for you into his house, and to hear your words.
- 10:23 Then he invited them in, and lodged them. On the next day Peter went with them, and certain brothers from Joppa accompanied him.
- 10:24 And the next day after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, for he had called together his relatives and best friends.
- 10:25 As Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped him.
- 10:26 But Peter lifted him up, and said, Stand up; I myself also am a man.
- 10:27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that had gathered together.
- 10:28 Then he said to them, You know that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come to one of another nation; but God has showed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.
- 10:29 Therefore I came to you without objection, as soon as I was sent for: Therefore I ask for what intent have you sent for me?
- 10:30 So Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,
- 10:31 And said, Cornelius, your prayer is heard, and your giving is remembered in the sight of God.

- 10:32 Therefore send to Joppa, and call to here Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is staying in the house of one Simon a tanner by the sea side: Who, when he comes, will speak to you.
- 10:33 Immediately therefore I sent to you; and you have done well that you have come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded you by God.
- 10:34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Truly I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:
- 10:35 But in every nation he that fears Him, and works righteousness, is accepted by Him.
- 10:36 The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: He is Lord of all
- 10:37 That word, I say, you know, which was spoken out throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached;
- 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.
- 10:39 And we are witnesses of all things which He did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; who they killed and hung on a tree:
- 10:40 God raised Him up the third day, and showed Him openly
- 10:41 Not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before God, even to us, who did eat and drink with Him after He rose from the dead.
- 10:42 And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be the Judge of the quick and the dead.

- 10:43 To Him gave all the prophets witness, that through His name whoever believes in Him will receive forgiveness of sins.
 - 10:44 While Peter yet spoke these words, the Holy Spirit fell on all those who heard the word.
 - 10:45 And they of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because on the nations also was poured out the gift of the Holy Spirit.
 - 10:46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,
 - 10:47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, who have received the Holy Spirit as well as we?
 - 10:48 Then he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.
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- 11:1 Then the apostles and brothers that were in Judea heard that the nations had also received the word of God.
- 11:2 And when Peter had come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision argued with him,
- 11:3 Saying, You went in to men uncircumcised, and did eat with them.
- 11:4 But Peter rehearsed the matter from the beginning, and explained it by order to them, saying,
- 11:5 I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain object descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me:
- 11:6 Upon which when I had fastened my eyes, I considered, and saw four-footed animals of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and birds of the air.
- 11:7 And I heard a voice saying to me, Arise, Peter; kill and eat.

- 11:8 But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean has at any time entered into my mouth.
- 11:9 But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God has cleansed, that do not call common.
- 11:10 And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven.
- 11:11 And, behold, immediately there were three men already come to the house where I was, sent from Caesarea to me.
- 11:12 And the Spirit told me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brothers accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house:
- 11:13 And he showed us how he had seen an angel in his house, who stood and said to him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter;
- 11:14 Who will tell you words, by which you and all your house will be saved.
- 11:15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them, as on us at the beginning.
- 11:16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, that He said, **John indeed baptized with water; but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.**
- 11:17 Since God gave them the same gift as He did us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; who was I, that I could withstand God?
- 11:18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then has God also to the nations granted repentance to life.
- 11:19 Now they who were scattered abroad on the persecution that arose after Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but to the Jews only.

- 11:20 And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Greeks, preaching the LORD Jesus.
 - 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned to the Lord.
 - 11:22 Then news of these things came to the ears of the assembly who were in Jerusalem: and they sent out Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.
 - 11:23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave to the Lord.
 - 11:24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith: and many people were added to the Lord.
 - 11:25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, to seek Saul:
 - 11:26 And when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they gathered themselves with the assembly, and taught many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.
 - 11:27 And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem to Antioch.
 - 11:28 Then there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there was about to be a great famine throughout all the Roman world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar.
 - 11:29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brothers who lived in Judea:
 - 11:30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.
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- 12:1 Now about that time Herod the king stretched out his hands to harass certain of the assembly.

- 12:2 So he killed James the brother of John with the sword.
- 12:3 Because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. Then were the Days of Unleavened Bread.
- 12:4 When he had taken him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of soldiers to guard him; intending after Passover to bring him out to the people.
- 12:5 Therefore Peter was kept in prison: but prayer was made without stopping by the assembly to God for him.
- 12:6 When Herod was about to bring him out, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the guards before the door kept the prison.
- 12:7 And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he touched Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly! And his chains fell off from his hands.
- 12:8 Then the angel said to him, Cloth yourself, and tie on your sandals. So he did. And he said to him, Cast your garment around you, and follow me.
- 12:9 So he went out, and followed him; and knew not that it was real which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision.
- 12:10 When they were past the first and the second guard posts, they came to the iron gate that leads to the city; which opened to them of its own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and immediately the angel departed from him.
- 12:11 When Peter had come to himself, he said, Now I know surely, that the LORD has sent His angel, and has delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

- 12:12 When he had considered the thing, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together praying.
- 12:13 As Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a girl came to answer, named Rhoda.
- 12:14 When she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.
- 12:15 But they said to her, You are mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, It is his angel.
- 12:16 But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished.
- 12:17 But he, beckoning to them with the hand to hold their peace, explained to them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go show these things to James, and to the brothers. So he departed, and went into another place.
- 12:18 Now as soon as it was day, there was no small disturbance among the soldiers, what had become of Peter.
- 12:19 When Herod sought for him, and found him not, he examined the guards, and commanded that they should be put to death. And he went down from Judea to Caesarea, and there stayed.
- 12:20 And Herod was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon: but they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus the king's personal aide their friend, desired peace; because their country was supplied by food by the king's country.
- 12:21 Upon a certain day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made a speech to them.
- 12:22 Then the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man!

- 12:23 Immediately the angel of the Lord struck him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten by worms, and gave up the ghost.
 - 12:24 But the word of God grew and multiplied.
 - 12:25 Then Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry, and picked John, whose surname was Mark.
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- 13:1 Now there were in the assembly that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; Barnabas, and Simeon who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.
- 13:2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, Separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work which I have called them.
- 13:3 When they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.
- 13:4 So they, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, went to Seleucia; and from there they sailed to Cyprus.
- 13:5 When they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews: and they also had John as their apprentice.
- 13:6 When they had gone through the isle to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was the son of Jesus:
- 13:7 Who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and wanted to hear the word of God.
- 13:8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name translated) withstood them, seeking to turn away the proconsul from the faith.

- 13:9 Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, set his eyes on him.
- 13:10 And said, O full of all trickery and all mischief, you child of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not stop perverting the right way of the Lord?
- 13:11 Now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you will be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. Immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.
- 13:12 Then the proconsul, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.
- 13:13 Now when Paul and his company left Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.
- 13:14 But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and sat down.
- 13:15 After the reading of the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue asked of them, saying, You men and brothers, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, say so.
- 13:16 Then Paul stood up, and motioning with his hand said, Men of Israel, and you that fear God, listen.
- 13:17 The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with a uplifted arm He brought them out of it.
- 13:18 About the time of forty years suffered He their behavior in the wilderness.
- 13:19 When He had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, He divided their land to them by lot.
- 13:20 After that He gave to them judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet.

- 13:21 Afterward they wanted a king: and God gave to them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years.
- 13:22 When He had removed him, He raised up to them David to be their king; to whom also He gave their testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will fulfill all My will.
- 13:23 From this man's seed has God according to His promise raised to Israel a Savior, Jesus:
- 13:24 When John had first preached before His coming the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.
- 13:25 As John fulfilled his destiny, he said, Who think you that I am? I am not he. But, behold, there comes one after me, whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.
- 13:26 Men and brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and whoever among you fears God, to you is the word of this salvation sent.
- 13:27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew Him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets whom are read every Sabbath day, they have fulfilled them in condemning Him.
- 13:28 Though they found no reason of death in Him, yet they wanted Pilate that He should be slain.
- 13:29 When they had fulfilled all that was written of Him, they took Him down from the tree, and laid Him in a tomb.
- 13:30 But God raised Him from the dead:
- 13:31 And He was seen many days of those who came up with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are His witnesses to the people.
- 13:32 So we declare to you good news, that the promise which was made to the fathers,

- 13:33 God has fulfilled the same to us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second Psalm, You are My Son, this day have I begotten You.
- 13:34 As concerning that He raised Him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, He has so spoken, I am about to give you the sure mercies of David.
- 13:35 Therefore He says also in another psalm, You will not permit Your Holy One to see corruption.
- 13:36 For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell asleep, and was buried with his fathers, and saw corruption:
- 13:37 But He, who God raised again, saw no corruption.
- 13:38 Therefore be it known to you, men and brothers, that through this Man is preached to you the forgiveness of sins:
- 13:39 For by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses.
- 13:40 Therefore beware, unless that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets;
- 13:41 Behold, you despisers, and wonder, and perish! For I work a work in your days, a work which you will in no way believe, though one declare it to you.
- 13:42 When the Jews had gone out of the synagogue, the nations asked that these words might be preached to them the next Sabbath.
- 13:43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and devout apprentices followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.
- 13:44 And the next Sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.

- 13:45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spoke against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.
 - 13:46 Then Paul and Barnabas grew bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first be spoken to you: but seeing that you reject it, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, look, we turn to the nations.
 - 13:47 For so has the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set you to be a light of the nations, that you should be for salvation to the ends of the earth.
 - 13:48 When the nations heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed.
 - 13:49 And the word of the Lord was spoken out throughout all the region.
 - 13:50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honorable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their borders.
 - 13:51 But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came to Iconium.
 - 13:52 And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Spirit.
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- 14:1 And it came to pass in Iconium, that they both went together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.
- 14:2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Greeks, and poisoned their minds against the brothers.
- 14:3 Therefore they stayed there a long time speaking boldly in the Lord, who gave testimony to the word of His

grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

- 14:4 But the multitude of the city was divided: and part agreed with the Jews, and part with the apostles.
- 14:5 When there was a violent assault made both by the Greeks, and also of the Jews with their rulers, to abuse them and to stone them,
- 14:6 They were aware of it, and fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding region:
- 14:7 And there they preached the gospel.
- 14:8 Now there sat a certain man at Lystra, sick in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never walked:
- 14:9 The same heard Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,
- 14:10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on your feet!
- Then he leaped and walked.
- 14:11 When the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!
- 14:12 For they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercury, because he was the chief speaker.
- 14:13 Then the priest of Jupiter, who was before their city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.
- 14:14 Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they tore their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,
- 14:15 And saying, Sirs, why do you do these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to the living God, who made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are in them:

- 14:16 Who in times past permitted all nations to walk in their own ways.
- 14:17 Nevertheless He left not Himself without witness, in that He did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.
- 14:18 Even with these sayings they barely restrained the people, that they should not sacrifice to them.
- 14:19 Then there came to there certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and having stoned Paul, took him out of the city, supposing he was dead.
- 14:20 However, as the disciples stood around him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he left with Barnabas to Derbe.
- 14:21 When they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,
- 14:22 Strengthening the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.
- 14:23 When they had appointed them elders in every assembly, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, in who they believed.
- 14:24 After they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.
- 14:25 When they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:
- 14:26 From there sailed to Antioch, from where they had been recommended by the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.
- 14:27 So when they had come, and had gathered the assembly together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how He had opened the door of faith to the nations.

- 14:28 And there they stayed a long time with the disciples.
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- 15:1 And certain men which came down from Judea taught the brothers, and said, Unless you be circumcised after the manner of Moses, you cannot be saved.
 - 15:2 Therefore when Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and dispute with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question.
 - 15:3 And being brought on their way by the assembly, they passed through Phoenicia and Samaria, explaining the conversion of the nations: and they caused great joy to all the brothers.
 - 15:4 So when they had come to Jerusalem, they were received by the assembly, and by the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.
 - 15:5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees who believed, saying, That it was necessary to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.
 - 15:6 Then the apostles and elders came together to consider this matter.
 - 15:7 After much dispute, Peter rose up, and said to them, Men and brothers, you know that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the nations by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.
 - 15:8 And God, who knows the hearts, gave them witness, giving them the Holy Spirit, just as He did to us;
 - 15:9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.
 - 15:10 Therefore now why tempt God, to put a burden on the back of the disciples, who neither our fathers nor we were able to carry?

- 15:11 But we believe that through the grace of the LORD Jesus Christ we will be saved, just as they.
- 15:12 Then all the multitude kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul, explaining what miracles and wonders God had worked among the nations by them.
- 15:13 And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brothers, listen to me:
- 15:14 Simeon has declared how God at the first did visit the nations, to take out of them a people for His name.
- 15:15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,
- 15:16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins of it, and I will set it up:
- 15:17 That the remnant of men might seek after the Lord, and all the nations, upon whom My name is called, says the Lord, who does all these things.
- 15:18 Known to God are all His works from the beginning of the world.
- 15:19 Therefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, who from among the nations are turned to God:
- 15:20 But that we write to them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from sexual immorality, and from things strangled, and from blood.
- 15:21 For Moses of old time has in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every Sabbath day.
- 15:22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders with the entire assembly, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas and Silas, chief men among the brothers:
- 15:23 And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brothers send greeting to the

brothers whom are of the nations in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia.

- 15:24 Since as we have heard, that certain who went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, You must be circumcised, and keep the law: to who we gave no such commandment:
- 15:25 It seemed good to us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,
- 15:26 Men that have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 15:27 Therefore we have sent Judas and Silas, who will also tell you the same things by mouth.
- 15:28 For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things:
- 15:29 That you abstain from foods offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from sexual immorality: from which if you keep yourselves, you will do well. Farewell.
- 15:30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the letter:
- 15:31 Which when they had read, they rejoiced for the encouragement.
- 15:32 Also Judas and Silas, being prophets themselves, exhorted the brothers with many words, and strengthened them.
- 15:33 After they had stayed there a while, they were let go in peace from the brothers to the apostles.
- 15:34 Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to stay there still.
- 15:35 Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

- 15:36 And some days after Paul said to Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brothers in every city where we have preached the word of the LORD, and see how they do.
 - 15:37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, whose surname was Mark.
 - 15:38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, who left them at Pamphylia, and did not continue with them in the work.
 - 15:39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they left one another: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed to Cyprus;
 - 15:40 And Paul chose Silas, and left, being recommended by the brothers to the grace of God.
 - 15:41 So he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the assemblies.
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- 16:1 Then he came to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a certain woman, who was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek:
- 16:2 Who was well reported by the brothers that were at Lystra and Iconium.
- 16:3 Paul would have him accompany him; and took and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those areas: for they all knew that his father was a Greek.
- 16:4 As they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees to keep, that were appointed by the apostles and elders who were at Jerusalem.
- 16:5 So were the assemblies established in the faith, and increased in number daily.

- 16:6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, but were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia,
- 16:7 After they had come to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit permitted them not.
- 16:8 And they passed by Mysia and came down to Troas.
- 16:9 Then a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and pleaded with him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us!
- 16:10 So after he had seen the vision, immediately we tried to go into Macedonia, concluding that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them.
- 16:11 Therefore sailing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothrace, and the next day to Neapolis;
- 16:12 And from there to Philippi, which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony: and we were in that city staying several days.
- 16:13 On the Sabbath we went out of the city by a river side, where prayer was regularly made; and we sat down, and spoke to the women who met there.
- 16:14 And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, who worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she understood the things which were spoken by Paul.
- 16:15 When she was baptized, and her household, she asked us, saying, If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and stay there. And she persuaded us.
- 16:16 And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much money by fortune-telling:
- 16:17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the Most High God, who show us the way of salvation.

- 16:18 For this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. So he came out the same hour.
- 16:19 But when her masters saw that the hope of their profit was gone, they took Paul and Silas, and dragged them into the marketplace to the rulers,
- 16:20 And brought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city,
- 16:21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to follow, being Romans.
- 16:22 Then the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates tore off their clothes, and commanded to beat them.
- 16:23 When they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safe:
- 16:24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.
- 16:25 At midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises to God: and the prisoners heard them.
- 16:26 For suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's chains fell off.
- 16:27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had fled.
- 16:28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do yourself no harm: for we are all here!
- 16:29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas,
- 16:30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

- 16:31 Then they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, and your house.
 - 16:32 So they spoke to him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.
 - 16:33 Then he brought them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, immediately.
 - 16:34 So when he had brought them into his house, he placed food before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.
 - 16:35 When it was day, the magistrates sent the rod bearers, saying, Let those men go.
 - 16:36 And the keeper of the prison told this saying to Paul, The magistrates have sent to let you go: therefore now leave, and go in peace.
 - 16:37 But Paul said to them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans, and have cast us into prison; and now do they thrust us out secretly? No, truthfully; but let them come themselves and escort us out.
 - 16:38 And the rod bearers told these words to the magistrates: and they feared, when they heard that they were Romans.
 - 16:39 So they came and sought them, and escorted them out, and wanted them to depart out of the city.
 - 16:40 Then they went out of the prison, and entered into the house of Lydia: and when they had seen the brothers, they comforted them, and left.
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- 17:1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

- 17:2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in to them, and three Sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,
- 17:3 Explaining and demonstrating, that Christ needed to suffer, and rise again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach to you, is Christ.
- 17:4 And some of them believed, and joined Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.
- 17:5 But the Jews who did not believe, moved with envy, took to them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a mob, and set all the city in an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to take them out to the people.
- 17:6 And when they found them not, they dragged Jason and certain brothers to the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the Roman world upside down have come here also;
- 17:7 Who Jason has received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, one Jesus!
- 17:8 Then they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.
- 17:9 When they had taken security from Jason, and from the other, they let them go.
- 17:10 Immediately the brothers sent away Paul and Silas by night to Berea: who coming to there went into the synagogue of the Jews.
- 17:11 These were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all eagerness, and searched the Scriptures daily, to find out whether these things were so.
- 17:12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honorable women who were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

- 17:13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached by Paul at Berea, they came there also, and stirred up the people.
- 17:14 Immediately the brothers then sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timothy stayed there still.
- 17:15 And they that conducted Paul brought him to Athens: and receiving a commandment to Silas and Timothy to come to him with all speed, they left.
- 17:16 Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city given to idolatry.
- 17:17 Therefore he disputed in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.
- 17:18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoics, encountered him. And some said, What will this babbler say? He seems to be a proclaimer of strange gods: because he preached to them Jesus, and the resurrection.
- 17:19 So they took him, and brought him to Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, of which you speak, is?
- 17:20 For you bring certain strange things to our ears: Therefore we want to know what these things mean.
- 17:21 For all the Athenians and strangers who were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.
- 17:22 Then Paul stood in the middle of Mars' Hill, and said, You men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are too superstitious.
- 17:23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Therefore who you ignorantly worship, I declare Him to you.

- 17:24 God that made the world and all things in it, seeing that He is Lord of heaven and earth, dwells not in temples made with hands;
 - 17:25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, seeing He gives to all life, and breath, and all things;
 - 17:26 And has made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;
 - 17:27 That they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grasp after Him, and find Him, though He is not far from everyone of us:
 - 17:28 For in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also His offspring.
 - 17:29 Since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like gold, or silver, or stone, something shaped by art and man's making.
 - 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commands all men everywhere to repent:
 - 17:31 Because He has appointed a day, in which he is about to judge the Roman world in righteousness by that Man who he has appointed; of which He has given assurance to all men, in that He has raised Him from the dead.
 - 17:32 When they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear you again on this matter.
 - 17:33 So Paul departed from among them.
 - 17:34 However certain men joined him, and believed: among who was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.
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- 18:1 After these things Paul left Athens, and came to Corinth;
- 18:2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because Claudius Caesar had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came to them.
- 18:3 Because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them, and worked: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.
- 18:4 Then he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.
- 18:5 When Silas and Timothy had come from Macedonia, Paul was compelled by the Spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ.
- 18:6 But when they opposed him, and blasphemed, he shook his clothing, and said to them, Your blood be on your own heads; I am clean; from now on I will go to the nations.
- 18:7 Then he departed, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house was next door to the synagogue.
- 18:8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.
- 18:9 Then the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not your peace:
- 18:10 For I am with you, and no man will attack you to hurt you: For I have many people in this city.
- 18:11 So he continued there a year and half, teaching the word of God among them.
- 18:12 When Gallio was the proconsul of Achaia; the Jews made insurrection with one accord against Paul, and brought him to the judgment seat,

- 18:13 Saying, This fellow persuades men to worship God contrary to the law.
- 18:14 And when Paul was about to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, If it were a matter of wrong or wicked crimes, O you Jews, reason would that I should bear with you:
- 18:15 But if it be a question of words and names, and of your law, look you to it; for I will not be judge of such matters.
- 18:16 Then he drove them from the judgment seat.
- 18:17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat him before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.
- 18:18 So Paul after this stayed there yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brothers, and sailed from there into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shaved his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.
- 18:19 So he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews.
- 18:20 When they wanted him to stay longer time with them, he did not consent;
- 18:21 But told them goodbye, and said, I must by all means keep this feast that comes in Jerusalem: but I will return again to you, if God wills. So he sailed from Ephesus.
- 18:22 When he had landed at Caesarea, and gone up, and greeted the assembly, he went down to Antioch.
- 18:23 After he had spent some time there, he departed, and went over all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples.
- 18:24 And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the Scriptures, came to Ephesus.

- 18:25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.
 - 18:26 So he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: who when Aquila and Priscilla heard, they led him to them, and explained to him the way of God more accurately.
 - 18:27 When he wanted to cross into Achaia, the brothers wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he had come, helped them much who had believed through grace:
 - 18:28 For he mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, showing by the Scriptures that Jesus was Christ.
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- 19:1 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper borders came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,
- 19:2 He said to them, Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed? But they said to him, We have not so much as heard whether there is any Holy Spirit.
- 19:3 So he said to them, Into what then were you baptized? And they said, Into John's baptism.
- 19:4 Then said Paul, John truthfully baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying to the people, that they should believe in Him who should come after him, that is, in Christ Jesus.
- 19:5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
- 19:6 Then when Paul laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spoke with tongues, and prophesied.
- 19:7 And all the men were about twelve.

- 19:8 So he went into the synagogue, and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.
- 19:9 But when some were hardened, and believed not, but spoke evil of that Way before the multitude, he departed from them, and withdrew the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus.
- 19:10 And this continued for two years; so that all they who dwelled in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.
- 19:11 And God worked special miracles by the hands of Paul:
19:12 So that from his body were brought to the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.
- 19:13 Then certain of the traveling Jewish exorcists, took upon them to call over those who had evil spirits the name of the LORD Jesus, saying, We exorcise you by Jesus who Paul preaches.
- 19:14 And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, who did so.
- 19:15 But the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?
- 19:16 And the man in who the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.
- 19:17 Then this became known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.
- 19:18 For many that believed came, and confessed, and showed their deeds.
- 19:19 Many of them also which practiced magic brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and

they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

- 19:20 So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.
- 19:21 After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome.
- 19:22 So he sent into Macedonia two of them that assisted him, Timothy and Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.
- 19:23 And the same time there arose a great commotion about the Way.
- 19:24 For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small profit to the craftsmen;
- 19:25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, you know that by this trade we have our wealth.
- 19:26 Moreover you see and hear, that not only at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul has persuaded and turned away many people, saying that they are no gods, which are made with hands:
- 19:27 So that not only this our trade is in danger of falling into disrepute; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana is about to be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the Roman world worships.
- 19:28 When they heard these sayings, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians!
- 19:29 Then the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia,

Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theater.

- 19:30 When Paul would have entered in to the people, the disciples did not permit it.
- 19:31 For certain of the leaders of Asia, who were his friends, sent to him, pleading him that he would not enter into the theater.
- 19:32 Therefore some cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused: and most did not know why they had come together.
- 19:33 Then they took Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And Alexander motioned with the hand, and would have made his defense to the people.
- 19:34 But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice for about two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians!
- 19:35 When the city clerk had appeased the people, he said, You men of Ephesus, what man is there that knows not that the city of the Ephesians is a worshiper of the great goddess Diana, and of the image which fell down from Zeus?
- 19:36 Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, you ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly.
- 19:37 For you have brought to here these men, who are neither robbers of assemblies, nor yet blasphemers of your goddess.
- 19:38 Therefore if Demetrius, and the craftsmen who are with him, have a matter against any man, the courts are open, and there are proconsuls: let them settle it there.
- 19:39 But if you inquire anything concerning other matters, it will be determined in a lawful assembly.
- 19:40 For we are in danger to be called into question for this day's riot, there being no reason by which we may give an account for this uproar.

- 19:41 When he had so spoken, he dismissed the assembly.
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- 20:1 After the uproar stopped, Paul called to him the disciples, and embraced them, and left to go into Macedonia.
 - 20:2 When he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece,
 - 20:3 And there stayed three months. And when the Jews laid an ambush for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he decided to return through Macedonia.
 - 20:4 Now there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus.
 - 20:5 These going before waited for us at Troas.
 - 20:6 So we sailed away from Philippi after the Days of Unleavened Bread, and came to them to Troas in five days; where we stayed seven days.
 - 20:7 Then on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul spoke with them, about to leave the next day; and continued his message until midnight.
 - 20:8 For there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.
 - 20:9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, having fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long speaking, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.
 - 20:10 But Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.
 - 20:11 Therefore when he had come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and discussed a long while, even until break of day, so he departed.

- 20:12 Then they brought the young man alive, and were very comforted.
- 20:13 For we went ahead to the ship, and sailed to Assos, intending to take Paul on board: for so he had arranged, about to go by foot.
- 20:14 When he met with us at Assos, we took him aboard, and came to Mitylene.
- 20:15 Then we sailed from there, and came the next day opposite Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and stayed at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus.
- 20:16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hurried, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost.
- 20:17 And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the assembly.
- 20:18 Then when they had come to him, he said to them, You know, from the first day that I came into Asia, in what manner I have lived with you in all seasons,
- 20:19 Serving the LORD with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the ambush of the Jews:
- 20:20 And how I kept back nothing that was profitable to you, but have showed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house,
- 20:21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 20:22 Now, behold, I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there:
- 20:23 Save that the Holy Spirit witnesses in every city, saying that chains and afflictions await me.

- 20:24 But none of these things move me, neither count my life dear to myself, so that I might finish my race with joy, and the ministry, which I have received by the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.
- 20:25 Now, behold, I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face anymore.
- 20:26 Therefore I testify to you this day, that I am innocent from the blood of all men.
- 20:27 For I have not shunned to declare to you all the counsel of God.
- 20:28 Therefore take heed to yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Spirit has made you elders, to feed the assembly of God, who He has purchased with His own blood.
- 20:29 For I know this, that after my leaving will savage wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.
- 20:30 Also of your own selves will men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.
- 20:31 Therefore watch, and remember, that for three years I stopped not to warn everyone night and day with tears.
- 20:32 So now, brothers, I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.
- 20:33 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or clothing.
- 20:34 Yes, you yourselves know, that these hands have worked for my needs, and to them that were with me.
- 20:35 I have showed you all things, that so laboring you ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.
- 20:36 When he had so spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

- 20:37 And they all wept intensely, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,
 - 20:38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spoke, that they were about to see his face no more. And they accompanied him to the ship.
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- 21:1 And it came to pass, that after we had departed from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course to Coos, and the day following to Rhodes, and from there to Patara:
- 21:2 And finding a ship sailing over to Phoenicia, we went aboard, and set sail.
- 21:3 Now when we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unload her cargo.
- 21:4 And finding disciples, we stayed there seven days: who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.
- 21:5 Now when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, until we were out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.
- 21:6 When we had taken our leave of one another, we boarded the ship; and they returned home again.
- 21:7 So when we had finished our course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and greeted the brothers, and stayed with them one day.
- 21:8 Then the next day we that were of Paul's companions departed, and came to Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven; and stayed with him.

- 21:9 For the same man had four daughters, virgins, who did prophesy.
- 21:10 As we stayed there many days, there came down from Judea a certain prophet, named Agabus.
- 21:11 When he had come to us, he took Paul's belt, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus says the Holy Spirit, So will the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owns this belt, and will take him into the hands of the nations.
- 21:12 So when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, asked him not to go up to Jerusalem.
- 21:13 Then Paul answered, What mean you to weep and to break my heart? For I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.
- 21:14 Then when he would not be persuaded, we stopped, and said, The will of the Lord be done.
- 21:15 After those days we packed, and went up to Jerusalem.
- 21:16 There went with us also certain of the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with who we should lodge.
- 21:17 When we had come to Jerusalem, the brothers received us gladly.
- 21:18 And the following day Paul went in with us to James; and all the elders were present.
- 21:19 When he had greeted them, he explained in detail what things God had done among the nations by his ministry.
- 21:20 When they heard it, they glorified the Lord, and said to him, You see, brother, how many thousands of Jews there are who believe; and they are all zealous for the law:
- 21:21 For they are informed of you, that you teach all the Jews whom are among the nations to forsake Moses, saying

that they ought not to circumcise their children, neither to walk after the customs.

- 21:22 What then? The assembly must come together: for they will hear that you have come.
- 21:23 Therefore do what we say: We have four men who have a vow on them;
- 21:24 They take, and purify yourself with them, and pay their expenses, that they may shave their heads: and all may know that those things, of which they were informed concerning you, are nothing; but that you yourself also walk orderly, and keep the law.
- 21:25 As concerning the nations who believe, we have written and concluded that they observe no such thing, except that they keep themselves from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from sexual immorality.
- 21:26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them entered into the temple, to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, until that an offering should be offered for every one of them.
- 21:27 And when the seven days were about to end, the Jews who were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him,
- 21:28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the man, that teaches all men everywhere against the people, and the law, and this place: and further brought Greeks also into the temple, and has polluted this holy place!
- 21:29 (For they had seen before with him in the city Trophimus an Ephesian, who they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)
- 21:30 Then all the city was moved, and the people ran together: and they took Paul, and dragged him out of the temple: and immediately the doors were shut.

- 21:31 Now as they went about to kill him, news came to the chief captain of the cohort, that all Jerusalem was in an uproar.
 - 21:32 Who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down to them: and when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they stopped beating Paul.
 - 21:33 Then the chief captain came near, and took him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains; and demanded who he was, and what he had done.
 - 21:34 For some cried one thing, some another, among the multitude: and when he could not know the certainty for the riot, he commanded him to be carried into the fortress.
 - 21:35 When he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was carried by the soldiers because of the violence of the mob.
 - 21:36 For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, Away with him!
 - 21:37 So as Paul was about to be led into the fortress, he said to the chief captain, May I speak to you? Who said, Can you speak Greek?
 - 21:38 Are you not that Egyptian, who before these days made an uproar, and led out into the wilderness four thousand men who were assassins?
 - 21:39 But Paul said, I am a Jewish man of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no small city: and, I implore you, permit me to speak to the people.
 - 21:40 When he had given him permission, Paul stood on the stairs, and motioned with the hand to the people. And when there was made a great silence, he spoke to them in the Hebrew tongue, saying,
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- 22:1 Men, brothers, and fathers, hear you my defense which I make now to you.

- 22:2 For when they heard that he spoke in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more silence: and he said,
- 22:3 I am truthfully a man whom is a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and taught according to the complete manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as you all are this day.
- 22:4 And I persecuted this way to the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women.
- 22:5 As also the high priest does bear me witness, and all the council of the elders: from whom also I received letters to the brothers, and went to Damascus, to bring those who were there bound to Jerusalem, to be punished.
- 22:6 And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and had come close to Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light around me.
- 22:7 And I fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to me, Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me?
- 22:8 And I answered, Who are you, Lord? And He said to me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, who you persecute.
- 22:9 Then they that were with me saw the light, and were afraid; but they heard not the voice of Him that spoke to me.
- 22:10 And I said, What will I do, LORD? And the Lord said to me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it will be told you of all things which are appointed for you to do.
- 22:11 When I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.
- 22:12 Then one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good reputation of all the Jews who dwelled there,
- 22:13 Came to me, and stood, and said to me, Brother Saul, receive your sight. And the same hour I looked up on him.

- 22:14 And he said, The God of our fathers has chosen you, that you should know His will, and see that Just One, and should hear the voice of His mouth.
- 22:15 For you will be His witness to all men of what you have seen and heard.
- 22:16 And now why are you waiting? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.
- 22:17 And it came to pass, that, when I had come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance;
- 22:18 And saw Him saying to me, Make haste, and get quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive your testimony concerning Me.
- 22:19 And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed in You:
- 22:20 And when the blood of Your martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting to his death, and kept the clothing of them that murdering him.
- 22:21 But He said to me, Depart: for I will send you far from here to the nations.
- 22:22 And they listened to him until this word, and then lifted up their voices, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth: for it is not fit that he should live!
- 22:23 As they cried out, and cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the air,
- 22:24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the fortress, and said that he should be examined by scourging; that he might know why they cried so against him.
- 22:25 As they bound him with thongs, Paul said to the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to whip a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?

- 22:26 When the centurion heard that, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what you are about to do: for this man is a Roman.
 - 22:27 Then the chief captain came, and said to him, Tell me, are you a Roman? He said, yes.
 - 22:28 So the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was free born.
 - 22:29 Immediately they departed from him who was about to examine him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.
 - 22:30 On the next day, because he would have known the certainty why he was accused by the Jews, he untied him from his bonds, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and placed him before them.
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- 23:1 And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men and brothers, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day.
- 23:2 And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him to strike him on the mouth.
- 23:3 Then said Paul to him, God is about to strike you, you whitewashed wall! For do you sit to judge me after the law, yet command me to be struck contrary to the law?
- 23:4 And they that stood by said, Do you revile God's high priest?
- 23:5 Then said Paul, I did not know, brothers, that he was the high priest: for it is written, You will not speak evil of the ruler of your people.
- 23:6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the

council, Men and brothers, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: concerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!

- 23:7 When he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and the Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.
- 23:8 For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither angel, nor spirit: but the Pharisees confess both.
- 23:9 Then there arose a great cry: and the scribes that were of the Pharisees' group arose, and protested, saying, We find no evil in this man: What if a spirit or an angel has spoken to him, let us not fight against God.
- 23:10 So when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing unless Paul should have been pulled in pieces by them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the fortress.
- 23:11 And the following night the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as you have testified about Me in Jerusalem, so must you bear witness also at Rome.
- 23:12 When it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under an oath, saying that they would neither eat nor drink until they had killed Paul.
- 23:13 They were more than forty who had made this conspiracy.
- 23:14 Then they came to the chief priests and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great oath, that we will eat nothing until we have killed Paul.
- 23:15 Therefore now you with the council suggest to the chief captain that he bring him down to you tomorrow, as though you would inquire something more accurately concerning him: and we, if ever he comes near, are about to kill him.

- 23:16 So when Paul's sister's son heard of their ambush, he went and entered into the fortress, and told Paul.
- 23:17 Then Paul called one of the centurions to him, and said, Bring this young man to the chief captain: for he has a certain thing to tell him.
- 23:18 So he brought him, and led him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me to him, and asked me to bring this young man to you, who has something to say to you.
- 23:19 Then the chief captain held him by the hand, and went with him aside secretly, and asked him, What do you have to tell me?
- 23:20 And he said, The Jews have agreed to ask you that you would bring down Paul tomorrow into the council, as though they are about to inquire somewhat of him more accurately.
- 23:21 But do not yield to them: for there lie in ambush for him more than forty men, who have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink until they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a promise from you.
- 23:22 So the chief captain then let the young man leave, and charged him, See you tell no man that you have showed these things to me.
- 23:23 And he called to him two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Caesarea, and seventy horsemen, and two hundred spearmen, at the third hour of the night;
- 23:24 And provide them mounts, that they may set Paul on, and bring him safe to Felix the governor.
- 23:25 And he wrote a letter in the following manner:
- 23:26 Claudius Lysias to the most excellent governor Felix sends greeting.

- 23:27 This man was taken by the Jews, and was about to be killed by them: then came I with a cohort, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.
 - 23:28 When I would have known the reason why they accused him, I brought him out into their council:
 - 23:29 Whom I perceived to be accused by questions of their law, but to have nothing charged against him worthy of death or of bonds.
 - 23:30 When it was told me that the Jews laid an ambush for the man, I sent immediately to you, and gave commandment to his accusers also about to say before you what they had against him. Goodbye.
 - 23:31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought him by night to Antipatris.
 - 23:32 On the next day they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the fortress:
 - 23:33 Who, when they came to Caesarea and delivered the letter to the governor, presented Paul also before him.
 - 23:34 When the governor had read the letter, he asked what province (of the ten) he was from. And when he understood that he was of Cilicia;
 - 23:35 I will hear you, said he, when your accusers have also come. So he commanded him to be kept in Herod's Praetorium.
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- 24:1 And after five days Ananias the high priest came down with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus, whom informed the governor against Paul.
- 24:2 When he was called out, Tertullus began to accuse him, and said, Seeing that by you we enjoy great peace, and that prosperity has come to this nation by your rule,

- 24:3 We accept it always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.
- 24:4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious to you, I ask that you would hear us by your courtesy a few words.
- 24:5 For we have found this man a trouble-maker, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the Roman world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:
- 24:6 Who also has gone about to profane the temple: who we took, and would have judged according to our law.
- 24:7 But the chief captain Lysias came on us, and with great force took him away out of our hands,
- 24:8 Commanding his accusers to come to you: by examining by who yourself may take knowledge of all these things, of which we accuse him.
- 24:9 And the Jews also agreed, saying that these things were so.
- 24:10 Then Paul, after the governor had motioned to him to speak, answered, Since I know that you have been of many years a judge of this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself:
- 24:11 Because that you may understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem to worship.
- 24:12 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:
- 24:13 Neither can they prove the things of which they now accuse me.
- 24:14 But this I confess to you, 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:

- 24:15 And have hope toward God, who they themselves accept, that there is about to be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.
- 24:16 This being so I do exercise myself, to always have a conscience void of offense toward God, and toward men.
- 24:17 Now after many years I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.
- 24:18 When certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with multitude, nor with uproar.
- 24:19 Whom ought to have been here before you, and object, if they had anything against me.
- 24:20 Or else let these same here say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood before the council,
- 24:21 Unless it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Concerning the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.
- 24:22 When Felix heard these things, having more accurate knowledge of the Way, he delayed them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain has come down, I will make a decision on your case.
- 24:23 Then he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let him have freedom, and that he should forbid none of his friends to serve or visit him.
- 24:24 After some days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ.
- 24:25 As he reasoned of righteousness, self-control, and judgment about to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go your way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for you.
- 24:26 He hoped also that money should have been given him by Paul, that he might free him: Therefore he sent for him the more often, and conversed with him.

- 24:27 But after two years Porcius Festus succeeded Felix; and Felix, willing to show the Jews a favor, left Paul bound.
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- 25:1 Now when Festus had come into the province, after three days he went up from Caesarea to Jerusalem.
- 25:2 Then the high priest and the chief of the Jews informed him against Paul, and petitioned him,
- 25:3 And desired favor against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying an ambush on the way to kill him.
- 25:4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at Caesarea, and that he himself was about to depart there.
- 25:5 Let them therefore, said he, whom among you are able, go down with me, and accuse this man, if there be any wickedness in him.
- 25:6 When he had stayed among them more than ten days, he went down to Caesarea; and the next day sitting on the judgment seat commanded Paul to be brought.
- 25:7 When he had come, the Jews who came down from Jerusalem stood around, and laid many grievous complaints against Paul, which they could not prove.
- 25:8 While he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against the temple, nor yet against Caesar, have I offended anything at all.
- 25:9 But Festus, willing to do the Jews a favor, answered Paul, and said, Do you want to go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me?
- 25:10 Then said Paul, I stand at Caesar's judgment seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews have I done no wrong, as you very well know.
- 25:11 For if I be an offender, or have committed anything worthy of death, I refuse not to die: but if there be none

of these things of which these accuse me, no man may deliver me to them. I appeal to Caesar.

- 25:12 Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, Have you appealed to Caesar? To Caesar will you go!
- 25:13 After some days King Agrippa and Bernice came to Caesarea to greet Festus.
- 25:14 When they had been there many days, Festus explained Paul's case to the king, saying, There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:
- 25:15 About who, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed me, wanting to have judgment against him.
- 25:16 To whom I answered, It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before he who is accused have the accusers face to face, and have opportunity to answer for himself concerning the crime laid against him.
- 25:17 Therefore, when they had come together, without any delay, the next day I sat on the judgment seat, and commanded the man to be brought out.
- 25:18 Against who when the accusers stood up, they brought no accusation of such things as I supposed:
- 25:19 But had certain questions against him of their own religion, and of one Jesus, who was dead, who Paul affirmed to be alive.
- 25:20 Because I was uncertain of such manner of questions, I asked him whether he would go to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.
- 25:21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved to the decision of Augustus Caesar, I commanded him to be kept until I might send him.
- 25:22 Then Agrippa said to Festus, I would also hear the man myself. Tomorrow, he said, you will hear him.

- 25:23 On the next day, when Agrippa had come, and Bernice, with great pomp, and had entered into auditorium, with the chief captains, and leading men of the city, at Festus' commandment Paul was brought out.
 - 25:24 For Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men who are present here with us, you see this man, about whom all the multitude of the Jews have dealt with me, both at Jerusalem, and also here, crying that he ought not to live any longer.
 - 25:25 But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and that he himself has appealed to Augustus Caesar, I have determined to send him.
 - 25:26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write to my lord. Therefore I have brought him out before you, and especially before you, O King Agrippa, that, after examination, I might have something to write.
 - 25:27 For it seems to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not also to specify the crimes laid against him.
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- 26:1 Then Agrippa said to Paul, You are permitted to speak for yourself. Then Paul stretched out the hand, and answered for himself:
- 26:2 I think myself happy, King Agrippa, because I am about to answer for myself this day before you concerning all the things of where I am accused by the Jews:
- 26:3 Especially because I know you to be expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews: Therefore I implore you to hear me patiently.
- 26:4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among my own nation at Jerusalem, know all the Jews;

- 26:5 Who knew me from the beginning, if they would testify, that after the most strictest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee.
- 26:6 Now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God, to our fathers:
- 26:7 To which promise our twelve tribes, earnestly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, King Agrippa, I am accused by the Jews.
- 26:8 Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?
- 26:9 I truthfully thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth.
- 26:10 Which thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against them.
- 26:11 And I punished them often in every synagogue, and compelled them to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even to strange cities.
- 26:12 Where as I went to Damascus with authority and commission from the chief priests,
- 26:13 At noon, Oh king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining around me and those who journeyed with me.
- 26:14 When we had all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking to me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, **Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.**
- 26:15 And I said, Who are you, Lord? And He said, **I am Jesus who you persecute.**
- 26:16 **But rise, and stand on your feet: for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to make you a minister and a**

witness both of these things which you have seen, and of those things in which I will appear to you;

- 26:17 Delivering you from the people, and from the nations, to who now I send you,
- 26:18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith that is in Me.
- 26:19 Therefore, Oh King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision:
- 26:20 But declared first to them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the borders of Judea, and then to the nations, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works suitable for repentance.
- 26:21 For these reasons the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill me.
- 26:22 Therefore having obtained help by God, I continue to this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying no other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say were about to come:
- 26:23 That Christ should suffer, and that he was about to be the first that should rise from the dead, and should show light to the people, and to the nations.
- 26:24 As he so spoke for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, you are beside yourself; much learning does make you insane!
- 26:25 But he said, I am not insane, most noble Festus; but speak out the words of truth and reason.
- 26:26 For the king knows of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner.

- 26:27 King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know that you believe.
 - 26:28 Then Agrippa said to Paul, Almost you persuade me to be a Christian.
 - 26:29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only you, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these chains.
 - 26:30 When he had so spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them:
 - 26:31 When they had gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man does nothing worthy of death or of chains.
 - 26:32 Then said Agrippa to Festus, This man might have been set free, if he had not appealed to Caesar.
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- 27:1 When it was determined that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners to one named Julius, a centurion of Augustus' cohort.
- 27:2 And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, about to sail by the borders of Asia; one Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.
- 27:3 And the next day we landed at Sidon. And Julius courteously treated Paul, and gave him freedom to go to his friends to refresh himself.
- 27:4 When we had gone to sea from there, we sailed under Cyprus, because the winds were against us.
- 27:5 When we had sailed across the sea of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, a city of Lycia.
- 27:6 And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy; and he put us in it.

- 27:7 When we had sailed slowly many days, and scarce had crossed over against Cnidus, the wind not permitting us, we sailed under the shelter of Crete off Salmone;
- 27:8 And, hardly passing it, came to a place which is called The Fair Havens; near the city of Lasea.
- 27:9 Now when much time was spent, and when sailing was now dangerous, because the Fast was now over, Paul advised them,
- 27:10 And said to them, Sirs, I perceive that this voyage is about to be with hurt with much damage, not only of the cargo and ship, but also of our lives.
- 27:11 Nevertheless the centurion believed the master and the owner of the ship, more than those things which were spoken by Paul.
- 27:12 Because the harbor was not suitable to winter in, the majority advised to depart from there also, if by any means they might attain to Phoenix, and there to winter; which is a harbor of Crete, and opens toward the southwest and northwest.
- 27:13 So when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained their purpose, putting out from there, they sailed close by Crete.
- 27:14 But not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon.
- 27:15 And when the ship was caught, and could not head up into the wind, we let her drive.
- 27:16 And running under a certain island which is called Clauda, we secured the smaller boat with difficulty:
- 27:17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and, fearing unless they should fall into the sand bars, struck sail, and so were driven.
- 27:18 Then we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next day they lightened the ship;

- 27:19 And the third day we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.
- 27:20 For when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small storm beat on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.
- 27:21 But after long silence Paul stood out in the middle of them, and said, Sirs, you should have listened to me, and not have sailed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.
- 27:22 But now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there will be no loss of anyone's life among you, but of the ship.
- 27:23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,
- 27:24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; you must be brought before Caesar: and, look, God has given you all them that sail with you.
- 27:25 Therefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it will be just as it was told me.
- 27:26 However we must be cast upon a certain island.
- 27:27 But when the fourteenth night had come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the sailors sensed that they came near to some land;
- 27:28 And sounded, and found it twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found it fifteen fathoms.
- 27:29 Then fearing unless we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and prayed for the day.
- 27:30 As the sailors were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the smaller boat into the sea, under pretense as though they would have cast anchors out of the bow,

- 27:31 Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Unless these stay in the ship, you cannot be saved.
- 27:32 Then the soldiers cut off the ropes of the smaller boat, and let her fall off.
- 27:33 And while the day was about to come on, Paul asked them all to take food, saying, This day is the fourteenth day that you have stayed and continued fasting, having taken nothing.
- 27:34 Therefore I pray you to eat some food: for this is for your health: for there will not a hair fall from the head of any of you.
- 27:35 When he had so spoken, he took bread, and gave thanks to God in presence of them all: and when he had broken it, he began to eat.
- 27:36 Then were they all of good cheer, and they also ate some food.
- 27:37 And we were in all in the ship two hundred seventy-six souls.
- 27:38 And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea.
- 27:39 When it was day, they did not know the land: but they discovered a certain creek with a shore, into which they were minded, if it were possible, to steer the ship.
- 27:40 When they had taken up the anchors, they committed themselves to the sea, and loosed the rudder ropes, and hoisted up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.
- 27:41 And falling into a place where two seas met, they ran the ship aground; and the bow stuck fast, and remained unmovable, but the stern part was broken with the violence of the waves.
- 27:42 Now the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, unless any of them should swim out, and escape.

- 27:43 But the centurion, willing to save Paul, kept them from their purpose; and commanded that they which could swim should cast themselves first into the sea, and get to land:
 - 27:44 And the rest, some on boards, and some on broken pieces of the ship. And so it came to pass, that they escaped all safe to land.
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- 28:1 When they had escaped, then they knew that the island was called Malta.
 - 28:2 Now the barbarians showed us unusual kindness: for they kindled a fire, and made us all welcome, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.
 - 28:3 When Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and put them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.
 - 28:4 When the barbarians saw the venomous snake hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, who, though he has escaped the sea, yet justice did not permit to live.
 - 28:5 But he shook off the snake into the fire, and felt no harm.
 - 28:6 However they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm about to come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.
 - 28:7 In the same area was an estate of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.
 - 28:8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick by a fever and by dysentery: to who Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.

- 28:9 So when this was done, others also, who had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:
- 28:10 Whom also honored us with many honors; and when we left, they gave us such things as were necessary.
- 28:11 After three months we left in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose emblem was Castor and Pollux.
- 28:12 And landing at Syracuse, we stayed there three days.
- 28:13 And from there we circled around, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:
- 28:14 Where we found brothers, and wanted to stay with them seven days: and so we went toward Rome.
- 28:15 Then from there, when the brothers heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii Forum, and The Three Inns: who when Paul saw, he thanked God, and gained courage.
- 28:16 So when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was permitted to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.
- 28:17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they had come together, he said to them, Men and brothers, 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.
- 28:18 Who, when they had examined me, would have let me go, because there was no cause of death in me.
- 28:19 But when the Jews spoke against it, I was constrained to appeal to Caesar; not that I had anything to accuse my nation of.

- 28:20 Therefore for this reason have I called for you, to see you, and to speak with you: because for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.
- 28:21 And they said to him, We neither received letters out of Judea concerning you, neither any of the brothers that came showed or spoke any harm of you.
- 28:22 But we desire to hear of you what you think: for as concerning this sect, we know that everywhere it is spoken against.
- 28:23 When they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he explained and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning until evening.
- 28:24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.
- 28:25 For when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spoke the Holy Spirit by Isaiah the prophet to our fathers,
- 28:26 Saying, Go to this people, and say, Hearing you will hear, and will not understand; and seeing you will see, and not perceive:
- 28:27 For the heart of this people has grown dull, and their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; unless they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be understand, and I should heal them.
- 28:28 Therefore be it known to you, that the salvation of God is sent to the nations, and that they will hear it.
- 28:29 So when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great arguments among themselves.
- 28:30 Then Paul dwelled two whole years in his own rented house, and received all that came in to him,

- 28:31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.