

Acts 22
Paul's Defense

I. Paul's Speech Before The People (vv. 1-21)

- A. Life before my conversion (vv. 1-5).
 - 1. Brought up in the strictness of the Jewish religion (vv. 1-3).
 - 2. Persecuted Christians (vv. 4-5).
- B. My conversion (vv. 6-16).
 - 1. The Lord appeared to me on the road to Damascus (vv. 6-11).
 - 2. Ananias came and preached to me (vv. 12-16).
 - a. He restored my sight (vv. 12-13).
 - b. He told me that God chose me to be a witness to the Gentiles (vv. 14-15).
 - c. He commanded that I be baptized (v. 16).
- C. I was called to preach to the Gentiles (vv. 17-21).
 - 1. The Lord told me to get out of Jerusalem quickly (vv. 17-18).
 - 2. I said that they know how I persecuted Christians (vv. 19-20).
 - 3. The Lord said, "Depart, for I will send you to the Gentiles (v. 21).

II. The Immediate Effects Of Paul's Speech (vv. 22-30)

- A. Mob cried, "Away with him..." (vv. 22-23).
 - 1. Tore their clothes.
 - 2. Threw dust in the air.
- B. Soldiers attempted to scourge him (vv. 24-29).
 - 1. Commander order scourging to know why the mob cried (v. 24).
 - 2. Paul asked if it were lawful to scourge a Roman being uncondemned (v. 25).
 - 3. When they learned that he was a Roman, they withheld scourging (vv. 26-29).
- C. Paul brought before the Sanhedrin (v. 30).

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