

Cutting Through Religious Facades - Acts 24C

1 Peter 4:17 For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it* first begin at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

Acts 24:22-27 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of that way, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter. **23** And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let him have liberty, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him. **24** And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ. **25** And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee. **26** He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him. **27** But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.

Acts 24:22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of that way, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter. After hearing the Jew's accusations & Paul's defence, Felix did not judge the matter, but put it off by deferring it.

Easton's Revises Bible Dictionary - Felix - Happy, the Roman procurator of Judea before whom Paul "reasoned" #Acts 24:25 He appears to have expected a bribe from Paul, and therefore had several interviews with him. The "worthy deeds" referred to in #Acts 24:2 was his clearing the country of banditti and impostors. At the end of a two years' term, Porcius Festus was appointed in the room (office) of Felix (A.D. 60) who proceeded to Rome, and was there accused of cruelty and malversation of office by the Jews of Caesarea. The accusation was rendered nugatory by the influence of his brother Pallas with Nero. (See Josephus, Ant. xx. 8-9) Drusilla, the daughter of Herod Agrippa, having been induced by Felix to desert her husband, the king of Emesa, became his adulterous companion. She was seated beside him when Paul "reasoned" before the judge. When Felix gave place to Festus, being "willing to do the Jews a pleasure," he left Paul bound.

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Acts 9 Summarized the account of the Lord Jesus revealing Himself to Saul/Paul with the bright light, & Paul's conversion, etc.

Acts 17 Paul preaching in Athens referred to.

Acts 24:25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

Mark 6:18 For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife. Summarized the account of John becoming a martyr.

2 Samuel 11 & 12 Summarized the account of David & Bathsheba.

2 Samuel 12:7 And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;

John 16:7,8 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8 And when he is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 16:8 (NKJV) "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 16:9 Of sin, because they believe not on me; 10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Matthew 26:4 And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill him.

Mark 2:17 When Jesus heard *it*, he saith unto them, They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Mark 13:26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

Ezekiel 18:20A The soul that sinneth, it shall die.

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

John 16:11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

Romans 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Romans 10:5 For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.

Romans 10:9,10 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,

and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Titus 2:12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

1 Peter 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

Hebrews 5:14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

1 John 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Galatians 5:23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

Galatians 5:23 (NKJV) gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

1 Corinthians 6:19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

Acts 15:20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and *from* fornication, and *from* things strangled, and *from* blood.

2 Peter 1:6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

2 Peter 1:6 (NKJV) to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness,

James 3:5,6 Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! 6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

Acts 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Acts 17:30 (NKJV) "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent,

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God is eternal life

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Strong's #166 Everlasting & eternal are both the same word used.

2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

James 2:19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

Mark 1:24 Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.

Luke 8:12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

Ephesians 4:30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

1 Thessalonians 5:19 Quench not the Spirit.

Acts 24:26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.

John 4 Summarized the account of the woman at the well.

John 4:24 God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

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Matthew 23 Summarized the 8 woes from Jesus. V14 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!

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