

ACTS TWENTY THREE SUMMARY

- I. PAUL'S DEFENSE BEFORE THE COUNCIL(vs. 1-11).**
 - A. PAUL'S CLAIM TO HAVE LIVED IN GOOD CONSCIENCE.
 - 1. Consider Paul's past life(Acts 26:9-11; 1 Tim. 1:12-17).
 - 2. The exchange between Paul and the High Priest.
 - B. PAUL'S PLOY AND ITS RESULT - "I AM A PHARISEE."
 - C. RESCUED AGAIN BY THE CHIEF CAPTAIN.
 - D. THE PROMISE OF JESUS THAT HE SHOULD GO TO ROME.
- II. THE JEWS PLOT AGAINST PAUL'S LIFE(vs. 12-35).**
 - A. THE OATH OF FORTY NOT TO EAT TILL PAUL WAS DEAD.
 - B. THE PLOT WAS FOR THE PRIESTS TO PRETEND TO WANT TO TRY PAUL.
 - C. PAUL'S NEPHEW TELLS HIM OF THE PLOT.
 - 1. Paul sends him to the chief captain.
 - 2. He tells the young man not to tell anyone and sends him off.
 - D. THE CHIEF CAPTAIN'S PLAN:
 - 1. 200 soldiers, 70 horsemen and 200 spearmen.
 - 2. They are to leave at the third hour of the night.
 - 3. They are to go to Felix at Caesarea.
 - E. THE CHIEF CAPTAIN'S LETTER:
 - 1. An explanation of Paul's arrest.
 - 2. He saw nothing in Paul worthy of such a fuss.
 - 3. The plot necessitated getting Paul out of town.
 - F. PAUL DELIVERED TO FELIX IN CAESAREA.
 - 1. Felix agrees to hear Paul's case.
 - 2. Paul is kept in bonds in Herod's palace.

MEMORY WORK: Acts 23:1

QUESTIONS FOR ACTS TWENTY THREE

- 1. Was Paul afraid of the council?
- 2. Why did the High Priest command that Paul be stricken?
- 3. What did Paul mean that he had lived in good conscience?
- 4. What did Paul accuse the High Priest of?
- 5. Why was Paul sorry for his answer? Is there a lesson there for us?
- 6. Of what major groups was the council made up, and what were their differences?
- 7. How did Paul exploit these differences?
- 8. Who saved Paul from the ensuing riot?
- 9. What did the Lord tell Paul he was going to do?
- 10. What plot was laid and how many were involved? What was their bond?
- 11. Who overheard this and told Paul and the chief captain?
- 12. What did the chief captain propose to do about this?
- 13. Who ruled Judea at this time and from where?
- 14. Where was Paul to be sent and for what purpose?
- 15. What did the chief captain say about the charges.?