

## **ACTS: LESSON 23**

### **XXIII. PAUL PRESENTS HIS DEFENSE BEFORE AGRIPPA (CHAPTER 26).**

- A. Paul's polite recognition of Agrippa (v.1-3).
- B. Paul's background with the Jewish parties: Pharisee (v.4-8).
- C. Paul's former position toward Jesus: Persecutor (v.9-11).
- D. Paul's interview with Jesus on the way to Damascus (v.12-18).
- E. Paul's obedience and consequent imprisonment (v.19-23).
- F. Festus' interruption and charge of madness (v.24-26).
- G. Paul's desire to persuade Agrippa of being a Christian (v.27-29).
- H. Agrippa's concluding conversation with Festus (v.30-32).

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. Why did Paul consider it a privilege to speak before Agrippa?
2. What did Paul hope to prove by presenting his background?
3. What "hope" is referred to in verse 6?
4. Should it be incredible for God to raise the dead?
5. Describe Paul's persecution of the Christians?
6. Why was persecuting Christ like "kicking against a goad" ?

7. Why did Jesus appear unto Paul?
  
8. How is one sanctified?
  
9. Who had helped Paul survive and present his case before Agrippa?
  
10. How does Paul use Moses and the prophets in his message?
  
11. Why was Festus amazed at Paul's message?
  
12. What did Agrippa perceive in Paul's message?
  
13. What TWO conclusions did Agrippa reach with Festus concerning Paul's defense?