

An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely Caesarea Maritima, showing a prominent cliffside building (the Praetorium) overlooking the sea. The city is built on a hillside, with a long wall extending along the coast. The sea is visible in the foreground, and the city's buildings and streets are visible in the background.

Paul's Defense Before Festus

Acts 25:1-27

I. Festus, the Jews, and Paul 25:1-12

A. Festus is confronted by the Jews (vv. 1-5)

1. The Jews bring charges against Paul (vv. 1-3)

2. The Jews are ordered to appear in Caesarea (vv. 4-5)



B. Paul's defense before
Festus (vv.6-12)

1. The Jews' accusations and
Paul's defense (vv. 6-8)

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no offense against the
Law of the Jews

An aerial, slightly faded photograph of a coastal city. A large harbor or bay is visible on the right side, with a prominent building or structure on a cliff overlooking the water. The city extends inland to the left, with various buildings and green spaces. The overall tone is historical and somewhat desaturated.

(1) He had committed no offense against the Law of the Jews

(2) Neither had he desecrated the temple precincts

(3) Nor was he guilty of treason against Caesar

An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely Jerusalem, showing a large harbor with a prominent building, possibly a government or religious structure, and a large crowd of people gathered in the harbor area. The city is built on a hillside overlooking the water.

B. Paul's defense before Festus (vv.6-12)

2. Festus suggests Paul's trial
be moved to Jerusalem (v. 9)

3. Paul appeals to Caesar's
tribunal in Rome (vv. 10-12)

II. Festus and King Agrippa 25:13-27

**A. Festus asks Agrippa's advice
on Paul's case (vv. 13-21)**

**B. Agrippa asks to hear Paul's
defense (vv. 22-27)**

Applications:

1. *Patience is a virtue.* God is not slow concerning His promises, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9). Regard the patience of our Lord to be salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him (2 Pet 3:15).

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Los Angeles, showing a large stadium (SoFi Stadium) and surrounding urban development. The image is faded and serves as a background for the text.

Applications:

2. It is far better, if God should will it so, that you *suffer* for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong (1Peter 3:17)
3. But even if you should *suffer* for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed (1Peter 3:14).



“Believe in Me;

*Live for Me; and **Go***

Tell others about Me!”

Jesus (AD 33)