

## Acts of the Apostles/ *Paul Before Festus*

Week of January 18, 2026

Acts 25:1-11

1. The enemy uses the \_\_\_\_\_ . (v1-7)
2. Paul stands on the \_\_\_\_\_ . (v8-10)
3. Paul appeals to the \_\_\_\_\_ . (v11)

### Sermon Notes:

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#### **Understanding the Text:**

- What are some strategies the Jews have used to attack Paul that are being repeated in this passage?
- What role does Festus play in Paul's protection? Is he an ally or an enemy?
- Compare and contrast Paul's defense now to previous ones.
- What is the significance of Paul's appeal to Caesar?

#### **For Further Consideration and Application:**

- The enemy uses three main tactics to disarm or destroy believers. Describe how he has repeated these tactics in your life to separate you from Christ and His victory.

He lies: (*Untruth about God or yourself that you continued to believe*)

He tempts: (*Sins that so easily ensnare*)

He accuses: (*Reminding you of past sin to keep you living in guilt and shame even after that sin has been covered through your faith and repentance*)

- Paul appeals to the highest legal authority (Caesar), but how does Paul defer to the highest ultimate authority in this passage (Christ)?

#### **Prayer Prompt:**

Pray that you would believe and follow Christ and resist the devil when he lies, tempts, or accuses you. Pray that you would remain steadfast in your faith. Ask God to help you identify the area of your life that needs sacrificial surrender to Him. Pray that the Spirit would give you strength to obey Him.