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Paul's 1st defense in Jerusalem, Pt 1

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Acts 21:40 ⁴⁰And when he had given him permission, Paul, standing on the stairs, motioned to the people with his hand; and when there was a great hush, he spoke to them in the Hebrew language, saying,

Acts 21:37 ³⁷As Paul was about to be brought into the barracks, he said to the commander, “May I say something to you?” And he said, “Do you know Greek?”

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Acts 21:21 ²¹and they have been told about you, that you are teaching all the Jews who are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children nor to walk according to the customs.

Acts 5:34 ³⁴But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the Law, respected by all the people, stood up in the Sanhedrin and gave orders to put the men outside for a short time.

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Acts 8:3 ³But Saul began ravaging the church, entering house after house, and dragging off men and women, he was delivering them into prison.

Acts 9:2 ²and asked for letters from him to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, both men and women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Galatians 1:13 ¹³For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I used to persecute the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it.

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Acts 2:29 ²⁹“Men, brothers, I may confidently say to you regarding the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

Acts 3:17 ¹⁷“And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, just as your rulers did also.

Acts 13:26 ²⁶“Brothers, sons of Abraham’s family, and those among you who fear God, to us the word of this salvation was sent.

Romans 9:3 ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh,

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Acts 9:3–5 ³And as he was traveling, it happened that when he was approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him;

⁴and falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?”

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Acts 9:6–8 ⁶but rise up and enter the city, and it will be told you what you must do.”

⁷And the men who traveled with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one.

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Acts 26:13 ¹³at midday, O King, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining all around me and those who were journeying with me.

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John 12:29 ²⁹So the crowd of people who stood by and heard it were saying that it had thundered; others were saying, “An angel has spoken to Him.”

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Acts 16:30 ³⁰and after he brought them out, he said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

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Acts 9:27 ²⁷But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles and recounted to them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had talked to him, and how at Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.

1 Corinthians 9:1 ¹Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord?

1 Corinthians 15:8 ⁸and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.

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