

ANSWERS ON THE QUESTIONS OF ACTS CHAPTER 25

1. When did Festus, after arriving in the province, went up to Jerusalem?
Three days later.
2. About what were the chief priests and the leading men of the Jews pleading with Festus against Paul?
They requested a concession against Paul, that Festus might have him brought to Jerusalem (at the same time, setting an ambush to kill him on the way).
3. How did Festus answer them?
That Paul was being kept in custody in Caesarea, and that he himself was about to leave shortly. "Therefore," he said, "have the influential men among you go there with me, and if there is anything wrong about the man, have them bring charges against him."
4. How many days did Festus spend among them before he went down to Caesarea?
No more than eight or ten days.
5. What did Paul say in his own defense against the serious charges of the Jews?
Paul said, "I have not done anything wrong either against the Law of the Jews, or against the temple, or against Caesar."
6. How do we know that Paul was not trying to avoid execution?
He said: "If I am in the wrong and have committed something deserving death, I am not trying to avoid execution."
7. When did Festus present Paul's case to King Herod Agrippa II?
After King Herod Agrippa II and Bernice had spent many days in Caesarea.
8. What was not a custom of the Romans?
To hand over any person before the accused meets his accusers face to face, and has an opportunity to make his defense against the charges.
9. What did Festus find out regarding the charges against Paul of the chief priests and the elders of the Jews?
That they simply had some points of disagreement with him about their own religion and about a dead man, Jesus, whom Paul asserted to be alive.
10. What seemed absurd to Festus?
To send Paul to the Emperor without indicating the charges against him.