

Before the Sanhedrin - Acts 22:30-23:11

Topics: Accusation, Angels, Conflict, Confusion, Conscience, Courage, God, Jesus Christ, Law, Persecution, Resurrection, Witnessing

Open It

1. When was the last time you had to deal with an overbearing person?
2. When you've just about had it, how do you express your anger?
- * 3. When was the last time you said something that caused misunderstanding or conflict?

Explore It

4. Why did the commander order the Sanhedrin to assemble? (22:30)
- * 5. What bold claims did Paul make? (23:1)
- * 6. What order did Ananias give? (23:2)
- * 7. What did Paul say in reaction to the high priest's illegal command? (23:3)
8. How did those standing nearby challenge Paul? (23:4)
9. Why did Paul respond the way he did to the challenge? (23:5)
10. How did Paul disrupt the proceedings? (23:6-9)
11. How did Paul divide his enemies? (23:6-9)
12. Why did the Pharisees side with Paul? (23:9)
13. Why was Paul in extreme danger? (23:10)
14. Where was Paul taken? (23:10)
15. How was Paul comforted and encouraged? When? (23:11)
16. How did the Lord confirm Paul's plans to go to Rome? (23:11)

Get It

- * 17. Why did the high priest react so strongly to Paul's statement about fulfilling his duty to God?
18. When do we tend to get ourselves in trouble with our words?
19. How can our words get us in trouble?
- * 20. In what situations do you need to be careful with what you say?
21. What is every Christian's duty to God?
22. What is your duty to God?
23. Why was it shrewd for Paul to get the Pharisees and Sadducees to fight among themselves?
24. How do the members of your congregation handle disagreements in church business meetings?
25. Why would Paul have needed the Lord's support and comfort?
26. When do you often need the Lord's support?
27. When you feel attacked or discouraged, how can you draw encouragement from the Lord?

Apply It

28. How can you prepare for the next difficult step in your spiritual journey?
29. In what trying situations will you need to show patience and perseverance this week?
- * 30. What reminder can you use to help you be wise with your words this week?