

## **The Objective Truth:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(the final missionary journey of Paul)*

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Acts 25:33-26

### **1. Making the most of the opportunity**

- a. King Agrippa and Bernice-
- b. Festus- vs 26 doesn't want to look dumb before the governor

### **2. Versus 1-3: Customary opening remarks (seen in Acts 24 as well)**

### **3. Evangelism 101- The basics laid out**

- a. Begins with commonality (vs 4-7)
  - i. For Paul
    - 1. Manner of life from youth
    - 2. Spent time among the nation/Jerusalem (vs 4)
    - 3. Lived as a strict Pharisee (vs 5)
    - 4. Hopes in the promises of God to His people (vs 6-7)
  - ii. For us
    - 1. Whatever your background...we are all  
\_\_\_\_\_! It's what unites us  
not divides us!
- b. Make a transition (vs8)
  - i. For Paul
    - 1. Verse 8- everything rests on the  
\_\_\_\_\_
      - a. If you believe the resurrection is so vital to your faith, why is it such a stretch to believe Jesus rose from the grave?
  - ii. For us- you've been raised to new life because He was raised to new life!

c. The Difference Maker = JESUS! (vs 9-23)

i. For Paul

1. The depth of his depravity (vs 9-11)
2. The determination to be lost (vs 12)
  - a. "In this connection" means to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ on which one has entered (and we've all been born into sin)
3. The difference maker = JESUS! (vs 13-18)
  - a. Personal- "Saul, Saul" (vs14)
  - b. Purposeful- both at the moment of conversion and for the future (vs16)
    - i. "Servant"- Paul is now enlisted in the \_\_\_\_\_ !
    - ii. "Witness" has connotations in the \_\_\_\_\_ sense
  - c. Powerful (vs 22)
    - i. "Having obtained the help that comes from God"

ii. For us

1. If we've been changed by the Difference Maker, we too have had a personal, purposeful, powerful conversion and we don't need precise words to share the gospel!
2. SHARE THE GOSPEL AS THE PURPOSE OF GOD'S PLAN FOR YOU! Over and over and over and over and over and over and over and....

Homework: As you read chapter 27...

1. Circle all the nautical phrases relating to boat/sailing/etc.
2. Circle all the "how it's going" references (for example phrases like "with difficulty").