



~ Thought For The Day ~

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Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, Lord where you send us we go, if You are not in it, we don't want it. Guide each of us in Your will for us and plans, Protect us as we step out in faith, defend us from all evilness and evil ways and wicknesses. Give us peace in Jesus' name. Amen....

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Scripture

1. And after five days Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul. Acts 23:2; **2** And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that by you we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done to this nation by your providence, **3** We accept it always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness. **4** Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious to you, I pray you that you would hear us of your clemency a few words. **5** For we have found this man a pestilent fellow, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes: **6** Who also has gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law. Acts 21:28; **7** But the chief captain Lysias came on us, and with great violence took him a way out of our hands, **8** Commanding his accusers to come to you: by examining of whom yourself may take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him. **9** And the Jews also assented, saying that these things were so.

Acts 24 : 1-9

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Felix had been Roman governor of Palestine for a number of years. He knew something about Christians since there were many of them under his jurisdiction. Now he was to sit in judgment on the most noted of all Christian teachers. Paul made a deep impression on Felix, who sent for Paul often. But his greed kept him from accepting Christ or releasing Paul. Drusilla was a sister of King Agrippa.

The Jews hated Felix a former slave and a wicked man. (v. 5) The charges against Paul were serious. He was a pestilent fellow, which means a man who is stirring up insurrection. Tertullus claimed that Paul was going from place to place inciting the Jews. Paul showed his knowledge of Roman law when he made his defense. Paul believed everything the prophets foretold. Paul had collected money from the Gentile churches to help the Jews at the church in Jerusalem since they were living in difficult, turbulent times.

Felix having a rather accurate understanding of the Way [of the Lord], put them off and adjourned the trial, saying. When Lysias the commandant comes down, I will determine your case more fully. (the one's put off... High priest Ananias, some elders and a certain forensic advocate Tertullus and also the Jews) That way refers to the Christian faith.

The centurions were ordered to keep [Paul] in custody, but to treat him with indulgence [giving him some liberty] and not to hinder his friends from ministering to his needs and serving him. Some days later Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was a Jewess, and he sent for Paul and listened to him [talk] about faith in Christ Jesus. But as he continued to argue about uprightness, purity of life (the control of the passions) and the judgment to come. Felix became alarmed and terrified and said; go away for the present, when I have a convenient opportunity, I will send for you. At the same time he hoped to get money from Paul, for which reason he continued to send for him and was in his company and conversed with him often. But when two years had gone by, Felix was succeeded in office by Porcius Festus; and wishing to gain favor with the Jews, Felix left Paul still a prisoner in chains.

Felix and Drucilla were living in open adultery, but Felix apparently had a hunger for God since he asked Paul to tell him about his faith in Christ. The Christian walk of righteousness and self control is very reasonable. The two years in custody were a time when Paul could relax from his busy and trying life. He was a political pawn used by the rulers to please the Jews.. (New Testament Study Guide; Chuck Smith; 2005; page 67)

(Amplified Bible; 2005; JMM; pages 1788-1790; Scripture)

23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered to you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: Matt 26:26; Mark 14:22; Luke 22:19; 24 And when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. 25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do you, as oft as you drink it, in remembrance of me. 26 For as often as you eat this bread, and drink this cup, you do show the Lord's death till he come. John 14:3; Acts 1:11;

27 Why whoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. Num 9:10; Num 9:13; John 6:51; John 6:63-64; John 13:27; 1Cor 10:21; 28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. 2Cor 13:5; 29 For he that eats and drinks unworthily, eats and drinks damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. 30 For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. 31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. Ps 32:5; Prov 18:17; 32 But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

33 Why, my brothers, when you come together to eat, tarry one for another. 34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that you come not together to condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

1 Corin. 11 : 23-34

Psa 119:105

**Thy word [is] a lamp unto
my feet, and a light
unto my path.**



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