

## Second Writings

### Ma`asei (Acts 24:24-25:27)

#### Acts 24:24-27

24 And after some days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was a female Yehudi, he sent for Sha'ul and heard him concerning the belief in Messiah.

25 And as he reasoned about righteousness, and self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix became frightened and said, "For the present, go. And when I find time I shall send for you."

26 At the same time too he was anticipating that money would be given him by Sha'ul, that he might release him. Therefore he sent for him more often and conversed with him.

27 But after two years had passed Porcius Festus succeeded Felix. And wishing to do the Yehudim a favour, Felix left Sha'ul bound.

#### Acts 25:1-27

1 Festus therefore, having come to the province, three days later went up from Caesarea to Yerushalayim.

2 And the high priest and the chief men of the Yehudim informed him against Sha'ul, and they begged him,

3 asking a favour against him, that he would send him to Yerushalayim - making a plot along the way to kill him.

4 Then, indeed, Festus answered that Sha'ul should be kept at Caesarea, and that he himself was about to set out shortly.

5 Therefore, he said, "let those who have authority among you go down with me and accuse this man, to see if there is any fault in him."

6 And having spent more than ten days among them, he went down to Caesarea. And on the next day, sitting on the judgment seat, he commanded Sha'ul to be brought.

7 And when he had come, the Yehudim who had come down from Yerushalayim stood about, bringing many and heavy charges against Sha'ul, which they were unable to prove,

8 while Sha'ul said in his own defence, "Neither against the Torah of the Yehudim, nor against the Set-apart Place, nor against Caesar did I commit any sin."

9 But Festus, wishing to do the Yehudim a favour, answering Sha'ul, said, "Do you wish to go up to Yerushalayim and be judged before me there concerning these matters?"

10 And Sha'ul said, "I am standing at Caesar's judgment seat, where I should be judged. To the Yehudim I have done no wrong, as you know well enough.

11 For if indeed I do wrong, or have committed whatever deserving death, I do not refuse to die. But if there is none at all in these matters of which these men accuse me, no one is able to give me up to them. I appeal to Caesar."

12 Then Festus, having talked with the council, answered, "You have appealed to Caesar? To Caesar you shall go!"

13 And certain days having passed, Sovereign Agrippa and Bernike came to Caesarea to greet Festus.

14 And when they had spent many days there, Festus laid Sha'ul's case before the sovereign, saying, "There is a man here whom Felix left as a prisoner,

15 about whom the chief priests and the elders of the Yehudim informed me, when I was in Yerushalayim, asking for a judgment against him.

16 "To them I answered, 'It is not the Roman practice to give up any man to destruction before the accused meets the accusers face to face, and has a chance to answer for himself concerning the charge against him.'

17 "They, therefore, having come together, without any delay, I sat on the judgment seat the next day and commanded the man to be brought in.

18 "When the accusers stood up, they brought no charge against him such as I expected, 19 but had some questions against him about their own worship and about a certain יהושע, who had died, whom Sha'ul was claiming to be alive.

20 "And being uncertain how to investigate these matters, I asked whether he wished to go to Yerushalayim and there be judged concerning these matters.

21 But when Sha'ul appealed to be kept for the decision of Augustus, I ordered him to be kept until I send him to Caesar.

22 And Agrippa said to Festus, "I was wishing also to hear the man myself." And he said, "Tomorrow, you shall hear him."

23 Therefore, on the next day, Agrippa and Bernike having come with great show, and having entered the place of hearing with the commanders and the eminent men of the city, Sha'ul was brought in at the order of Festus.

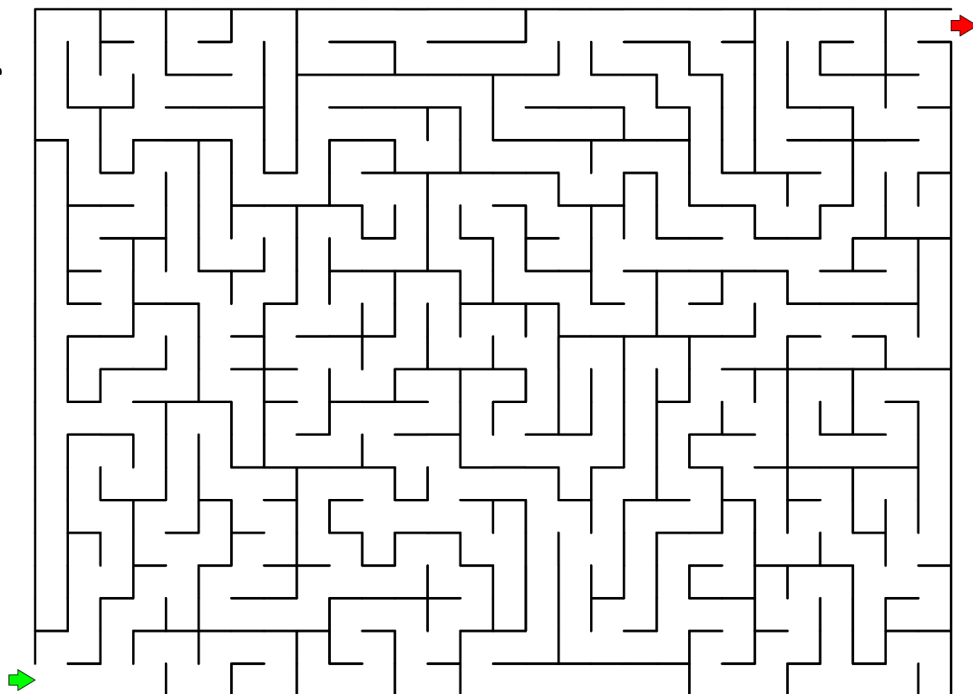
24 And Festus said, "Sovereign Agrippa and all the men present here with us, you see this one about whom all the community of the Yehudim pleaded with me, both at Yerushalayim and here, shouting that he ought not to be living any longer.

25 "But I, having found that he had committed none at all deserving death, and that he himself had appealed to Augustus, I decided to send him.

26 "I have no definite matter to write to my master concerning him. Therefore I have brought him out before you, and most of all before you,

Sovereign Agrippa, so that after the examination has taken place I might have somewhat to write.

27 For it seems to me unreasonable to send a prisoner and not to signify the charges against him.



## Fill In The Blank

- 1) And as he reasoned about \_\_\_\_\_, and self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix became \_\_\_\_\_ and said, "For the present, go. And when I find time I shall send for you.
- 2) But after two years had passed Porcius \_\_\_\_\_ succeeded \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) And when he had come, the Yehudim who had come down from Yerushalayim stood about, bringing many and heavy \_\_\_\_\_ against Sha'ul, which they were unable to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) Then Festus, having talked with the \_\_\_\_\_, answered, "You have \_\_\_\_\_ to Caesar? To Caesar you shall go!"
- 5) Festus therefore, having come to the \_\_\_\_\_, three days later went up from \_\_\_\_\_ to Yerushalayim.
- 6) And Sha'ul said, "I am standing at \_\_\_\_\_ judgment \_\_\_\_\_, where I should be judged.
- 7) And Festus said, "Sovereign \_\_\_\_\_ and all the men present here with us, you see this one about whom all the community of the Yehudim pleaded with me, both at Yerushalayim and here, shouting that he ought not to be \_\_\_\_\_ any longer.
- 8) "To them I answered, 'It is not the Roman \_\_\_\_\_ to give up any man to \_\_\_\_\_ before the accused meets the accusers face to face, and has a chance to answer for himself concerning the charge against him.'
- 9) But I, having found that he had committed none at all \_\_\_\_\_ death, and that he himself had appealed to \_\_\_\_\_, I decided to send him.
- 10) I have no \_\_\_\_\_ matter to \_\_\_\_\_ to my master concerning him.

## True Or False

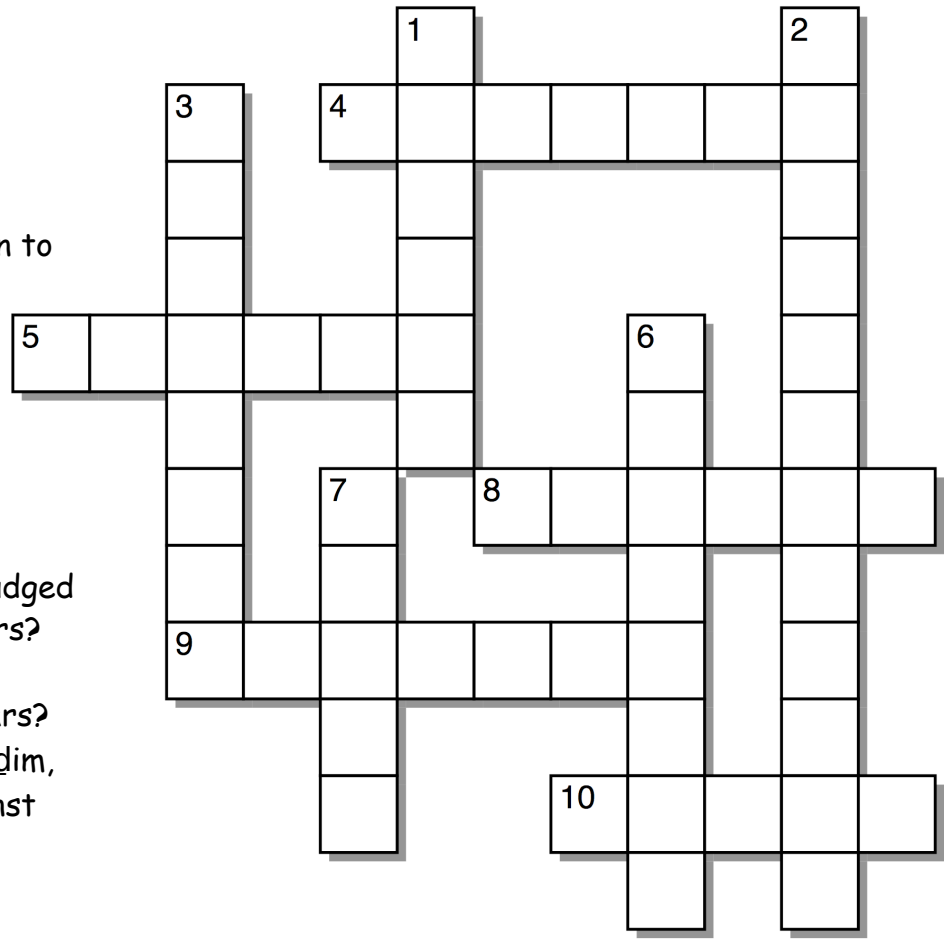
- 1) Sovereign Agrippa and Bernike came to Caesarea to greet Felix. True/False
- 2) It was Agrippa that said, "I was wishing also to hear the man myself." True/False

**Across**

- 4. Traveled with Agrippa?
- 5. Succeeded Felix?
- 8. Sha'ul appealed to \_\_\_\_\_ Augustus.
- 9. Called Sovereign by Festus.
- 10. Anticipated that money would be given to him by Sha'ul?

**Down**

- 1. I do not \_\_\_\_\_ to die.
- 2. Do you wish to go up to \_\_\_\_\_ and be judged before me there concerning these matters?
- 3. Felix's wife.
- 6. City where Sha'ul was kept for two years?
- 7. Neither against the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Yehudim, nor against the Set-apart Place, nor against Caesar did I commit any sin.



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APPEAL

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EXAMINATION

CHARGES

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