

Daily in His Presence (Dec. 2025) NIV & 쉬운성경

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Week	Date	Scripture	Theme
Week 1	Mon, Dec 1	Acts 25:6–12	Trial Before Festus and Appeal to Caesar
	Tue, Dec 2	Acts 25:13–22	Conversation Between King Agrippa and Festus
	Wed, Dec 3	Acts 25:23–27	Paul Before King Agrippa
	Thu, Dec 4	Acts 26:1–7	Beginning of Defense Before King Agrippa
	Fri, Dec 5	Acts 26:8–12	Resurrection Faith and Past Persecution
Week 2	Mon, Dec 8	Acts 26:13–18	Encounter on Damascus Road and Commission
	Tue, Dec 9	Acts 26:19–23	Life of Obedience to Heavenly Vision
	Wed, Dec 10	Acts 26:24–32	Reactions of Festus and Agrippa
	Thu, Dec 11	Acts 27:1–8	Beginning of Voyage to Rome
	Fri, Dec 12	Acts 27:9–19	Storm and Crisis
Week 3	Mon, Dec 15	Acts 27:20–26	Angel's Comfort and Paul's Encouragement
	Tue, Dec 16	Acts 27:27–32	Drifting and Sailors' Attempt to Escape
	Wed, Dec 17	Acts 27:33–37	Paul's Exhortation and Sharing Food
	Thu, Dec 18	Acts 27:38–44	Shipwreck and Salvation
	Fri, Dec 19	Acts 28:1–6	Hospitality on Malta and Viper Incident
Week 4	Mon, Dec 22	Acts 28:7–10	Healing of Publius' Father and Islanders
	Tue, Dec 23	Acts 28:11–15	Final Journey Toward Rome
	Wed, Dec 24	Acts 28:16–20	Arrival in Rome and Meeting with Jewish Leaders
	Thu, Dec 25	–	Christmas Day (Rest from Devotion)
	Fri, Dec 26	Acts 28:21–23	Preparation for Testimony About God's Kingdom
Week 5	Mon, Dec 29	Acts 28:24–28	Believers and Unbelievers
	Tue, Dec 30	Acts 28:30–31	Bold Proclamation of the Gospel
	Wed, Dec 31	–	New Year's Eve (Year-End Reflection)

*Weekends (Sat–Sun) are recommended for reviewing and deeper reflection on the week's passages.

Biblical Meditation Method: A Step-by-Step Guide

1. Begin with Gratitude

Start each meditation by writing down things you're thankful for. This practice helps clear your mind and prepare your heart for deeper meditation.

- List specific things you're grateful for today, no matter how small
- Focus on recent blessings and everyday mercies
- Acknowledge God's presence in your daily life

2. Reflect on Areas for Growth

Take time to honestly consider areas where you feel you could have done better:

- Acknowledge specific situations you wish you had handled differently
- Consider patterns or habits you'd like to change
- Think about relationships that might need attention
- Be honest but avoid self-judgment - this is about growth, not guilt

3. Engage with Scripture

Take time to really absorb the Bible passage. Think of it like exploring a new place - you want to notice all the details:

- Read the passage slowly, maybe even several times
- Mark any words or phrases that catch your attention
- Notice who's involved in the story
- Pay attention to where and when things are happening
- Look for any patterns or repeated ideas

4. Understand the Message

This is where you put the pieces together, like solving a puzzle:

- What's the main point of this passage?
- What was happening at this time in history?
- Why did the author write this?
- What does this tell us about God?

5. Consider the Hearts Involved

Try to step into the story and understand how everyone was feeling:

- How might God have felt in this situation?
- What were the characters thinking and feeling?
- Why did people react the way they did?
- What relationships do you see playing out?

6. Make It Personal

This is where you connect the ancient text to your life today:

- How does this relate to your current situation?
- What might God be saying to you through this passage?
- What challenges or encouragements do you find?
- Where do you see yourself in this story?

7. Plan Your Response

Turn your insights into action:

- What specific things can you do differently?
- How can you apply this lesson today?
- What changes do you need to make?
- When and how will you take these steps?

8. Write to God

Finish by writing a personal letter to God:

- Share your honest thoughts and feelings
- Thank Him for what you've learned
- Ask for help with what you want to change
- Express your hopes and concerns

Remember, this isn't about rushing through steps - it's about having a meaningful conversation with God through His Word. Take your time with each part that speaks to you most strongly on any given day.

Introduction to Acts (7)

The Unfinished Story

Introduction: Why Does Acts End This Way?

Anyone who has read Acts from beginning to end will feel a certain puzzlement. The last verse of chapter 28 ends like this:

"For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him. He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance!" (Acts 28:30-31)

And... that's it. Abruptly, without warning. What about Paul's trial? His defense before Caesar? The story of his martyrdom? What happened to Peter afterward? What about the Jerusalem church?

Many scholars have offered various theories, but the most compelling interpretation is this: **Luke intentionally left the story open.** Why? Because the story of Acts didn't end in the first century.

Acts 28 is not a period but a comma. Not a full stop but an ellipsis (...). This open ending asks us: "So what comes next?"

I. A Story Led by the Holy Spirit

The most striking aspect of reading Acts is that **at every crucial moment, the Holy Spirit moves first.**

At Pentecost (Acts 2), when the disciples were praying and waiting, the Holy Spirit came. Philip met the Ethiopian eunuch because "the Spirit told Philip, 'Go to that chariot and stay near it'" (8:29). Peter visited the Gentile Cornelius because "the Spirit said to him" (10:19).

Paul's missionary journeys were no different. When the church at Antioch was worshiping and fasting, "the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them'" (13:2). Paul went to Europe because the Spirit prevented them from preaching in Asia and gave them the vision of Macedonia (16:6-10).

The people in Acts didn't make plans and then ask for God's blessing. They **waited for the Spirit's guidance and followed it.**

For Us Today

We often seek God's approval for our plans. "I'm planning to do this—please bless it." But Acts shows us something different. The Holy Spirit speaks first, and we listen and obey.

What if we asked every morning: "Lord, where will you lead me today?" What if we prayed and waited before making important decisions? Living with awareness of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives—that's the life of Acts.

II. People Who Live as Witnesses

The people in Acts weren't professional apologists or theologians. They were witnesses who confessed, **"We cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard"** (Acts 4:20).

Peter didn't hide his past denial but boldly testified about meeting the risen Jesus. Stephen prayed "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit" (7:59) as he was being stoned. Paul detailed his past as a persecutor of the church three times (Acts 9, 22, 26), yet testified that Jesus had called him despite this.

The mark of a witness is staking one's life on the truth. The word "martyr" originally meant "witness." The people in Acts were so certain of what they had seen that they chose death rather than denial.

But here's what matters: these weren't perfect people. Peter had denied Jesus, Paul had persecuted the church, and Mark had fled during a missionary journey. Yet they could still be witnesses. Why? Because **a witness isn't a perfect person but an authentic person.**

For Us Today

We often envy dramatic testimonies. "I don't have any special experiences..." But a witness isn't someone with a spectacular story. It's someone who honestly shares their story of meeting Jesus and being changed.

Lydia opened her home (16:15), Priscilla and Aquila made tents alongside Paul (18:3), and Paul and Silas sang hymns in prison, leading the jailer to salvation (16:25-34). Most people observe our everyday faithfulness. Are we honest at work? Do we love at home? When difficulties come, do we complain or give thanks?

Are you ready to share your story? You don't need to be perfect. You just need to be real.

III. The Paradox of Persecution Becoming Expansion

The most remarkable pattern in Acts is that **whenever persecution came, the gospel spread even wider.**

After Stephen's martyrdom (Acts 7), great persecution arose, but those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the gospel (8:1, 4). After Herod's persecution (Acts 12), the church at Antioch grew and world mission began (Acts 13). In the Philippian jail (Acts 16), the jailer and his family were saved and the Philippian church was born. Through Paul's imprisonment (Acts 21-28), the gospel reached Rome and the prison epistles were written.

From a human perspective, these were crises. But from God's perspective, they were opportunities for expansion. Acts shows us: **God transforms crises into opportunities.**

Acts also honestly records conflicts and failures. Complaints about widow distribution between Hellenistic and Hebrew Jews (Acts 6), heated debate over circumcision (Acts 15), Paul and Barnabas arguing over Mark and eventually separating (15:39)... Yet all of this didn't destroy the church but rather helped it grow.

For Us Today

When we face difficulties, we ask, "Why me?" But Acts invites us to ask a different question: "What is God doing in this situation?"

Unfair treatment at work, family problems, health challenges, financial crises... These may not be the end. God can use these crises in ways we never imagined. Like the Philippian jailer, someone might meet Jesus through our difficulties.

There is no perfect church. There are only growing churches. What matters isn't the absence of conflict but how we resolve it.

Conclusion: We Are Writing Acts 29

Let's return to Acts 1. After Jesus ascended, the disciples stood gazing into heaven. Then angels appeared and said:

"Men of Galilee, why do you stand here looking into the sky?" (Acts 1:11)

The angels' message is simple: **"Why are you standing? Go!"**

At the end of Acts 28, we stand in the same place. The story seems finished, but actually, it's our turn to begin. Just as Paul preached the gospel in Rome "with all boldness and without hindrance," now we too must boldly be witnesses in our own places.

Acts 29 Has Not Yet Been Written

Two thousand years later, the story of Acts is still ongoing. And we are the main characters. In Acts 1:8, "to the ends of the earth" meant Rome in the first century. But what are our "ends of the earth" today? Perhaps it's the neighbor next door, a coworker, or a family member to whom we haven't shared the gospel for a long time. It's not about geographical distance but wherever the gospel hasn't reached.

An Invitation to Action

First, listen for the Holy Spirit's guidance. Each morning, pray quietly and ask, "Lord, where will you lead me today?" Be conscious of the Holy Spirit even in small decisions.

Second, prepare to share your story. "How did I meet Jesus? What changed after meeting Jesus?" Prepare your faith story to answer these questions. It doesn't need to be perfect. It just needs to be authentic.

Third, view current difficulties from God's perspective. The crisis you're experiencing now might be part of God's expansion plan. Ask yourself, "What is God doing in this situation?"

Closing Challenge

Today we receive the same question: **"Why are you standing? Go!"**

The story of Acts continues. When we follow the Holy Spirit's guidance toward the "ends of the earth" in our lives, we continue writing the story of Acts.

Acts 29 is our responsibility.

Questions for Reflection

1. How often do I experience the Holy Spirit's guidance? Do I ask the Holy Spirit each morning, "Where will you lead me today?"
2. How does my identity as a "witness" manifest concretely in my life? Is my everyday faithfulness sharing the gospel with someone?
3. Where are my "ends of the earth"? Is there a person or place where I need to share the gospel now?
4. Can I see my current difficulties as part of God's expansion plan? "What is God doing in this situation?"

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[행25:6-12, 쉬운성경]

6 베스도가 예루살렘에 팔 일인가 십 일인가를 더 머물다가 가이사랴로 돌아왔습니다. 이튿날, 그는 재판석에 앉아서 바울을 데려오라고 명령했습니다.

7 바울이 나타나자, 예루살렘에서 온 유대인들이 그를 에워싸고 여러 가지 무거운 죄목을 대며 바울을 고발하기 시작했습니다. 그러나 그 죄를 입증할 만한 증거는 아무도 제시하지 못했습니다.

8 바울은 이렇게 자신을 변명했습니다. "나는 유대인의 율법이나 성전이나 로마 황제를 거스르는 죄를 지은 적이 없었습니다."

9 그러나 베스도가 유대인의 환심을 사려고 바울에게 물었습니다. "그대는 예루살렘으로 올라가서 이 여러 가지 고소 문제에 대해 내 앞에서 재판 받기를 원하는가?"

10 바울이 말했습니다. "나는 지금 황제의 법정에서 있습니다. 나는 이 곳에서 재판을 받아야 합니다. 각하께서도 잘 아시듯 나는 유대인들에게 어떤 죄도 짓지 않았습니니다."

11 혹 내게 잘못된 일이 있어 법에 따라 사형을 당해야 한다면, 죽음을 피할 생각은 없습니다. 그러나 이들이 고발한 내용이 사실이 아니라면, 어느 누구도 나를 이들에게 넘겨 줄 수 없습니다. 나는 로마 황제에게 상소하겠습니다."

12 베스도는 이 문제를 두고 배심원들과 상의한 뒤에 "그대가 황제에게 상소했으니, 황제에게 가게 될 것이요"라고 선포했습니다.

[Ac 25:6-12, NIV]

6 After spending eight or ten days with them, Festus went down to Caesarea. The next day he convened the court and ordered that Paul be brought before him.

7 When Paul came in, the Jews who had come down from Jerusalem stood around him. They brought many serious charges against him, but they could not prove them.

8 Then Paul made his defense: "I have done nothing wrong against the Jewish law or against the temple or against Caesar."

9 Festus, wishing to do the Jews a favor, said to Paul, "Are you willing to go up to Jerusalem and stand trial before me there on these charges?"

10 Paul answered: "I am now standing before

Caesar's court, where I ought to be tried. I have not done any wrong to the Jews, as you yourself know very well.

11 If, however, I am guilty of doing anything deserving death, I do not refuse to die. But if the charges brought against me by these Jews are not true, no one has the right to hand me over to them. I appeal to Caesar!"

12 After Festus had conferred with his council, he declared: "You have appealed to Caesar. To Caesar you will go!"

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[행25:13-22, 쉬운성경]

13 며칠이 지난 뒤, 유대의 아그립바 왕과 버니게가 베스도에게 환영 인사를 하기 위해 가이사라로 왔습니다.

14 그들이 가이사라에서 여러 날을 머물게 되어 베스도는 아그립바 왕과 바울 사건을 논의하였습니다. 베스도가 말했습니다. "이 곳에 벨릭스가 옥에 가두어 둔 사람이 한 사람 있습니다.

15 내가 예루살렘에 갔더니, 대제사장들과 장로들이 그 사람을 고소하면서 그에게 유죄 판결을 내려달라고 요구했습니다.

16 그러나 나는, 어떤 사람이 고소를 당했을 때, 그 사람을 고소한 사람과 마주하게 해서 고소한 것에 대해 변명할 기회를 주지 않고 그들에게 넘겨 주는 것은 로마의 관습에 어긋난다고 말해 주었습니다.

17 그래서 유대인들이 나를 따라 이 곳 가이사라로 왔습니다. 나는 시간을 끌지 않고 그 이튿날, 재판관을 소집하고 재판석에 앉아서 그 사람을 불러오게 했습니다.

18 유대인들이 일어나 그를 고발하며 죄목을 늘어놓았지만, 내가 예상했던 것만큼 악한 죄는 없었습니다.

19 그들이 바울과 논쟁을 한 것은 간단히 말해서, 그들의 종교에 관한 것과 예수라는 어떤 죽은 자에 관한 것이었습니다. 바울은 그 자가 살아 있다고 주장합니다.

20 나는 이와 같은 문제를 어떻게 조사해야 할지 몰라 망설이다가, 바울에게 예루살렘으로 가서 이 문제에 대해 재판 받기를 원하느냐고 물어 보았습니다.

21 그러나 바울이 황제에게 판결을 받을 때까지 그대로 갇혀 있겠다고 해서 나는 바울을 로마에 계신 황제에게 보낼 때까지 그를 가두어 두라고 명령했습니다."

22 그러자 아그립바가 베스도에게 "나도 그 사람의 말을 듣고 싶소"라고 말했습니다. 베스도는 "내일 그의 말을 들을 수 있게 하겠습니다"라고 대답했습니다.

[Ac 25:13-22, NIV]

13 A few days later King Agrippa and Bernice arrived at Caesarea to pay their respects to Festus.

14 Since they were spending many days there, Festus discussed Paul's case with the king. He said: "There is a man here whom Felix left as a prisoner.

15 When I went to Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews brought charges against him and asked that he be condemned.

16 "I told them that it is not the Roman custom

to hand over anyone before they have faced their accusers and have had an opportunity to defend themselves against the charges.

17 When they came here with me, I did not delay the case, but convened the court the next day and ordered the man to be brought in.

18 When his accusers got up to speak, they did not charge him with any of the crimes I had expected.

19 Instead, they had some points of dispute with him about their own religion and about a dead man named Jesus who Paul claimed was alive.

20 I was at a loss how to investigate such matters; so I asked if he would be willing to go to Jerusalem and stand trial there on these charges.

21 But when Paul made his appeal to be held over for the Emperor's decision, I ordered him held until I could send him to Caesar."

22 Then Agrippa said to Festus, "I would like to hear this man myself."

He replied, "Tomorrow you will hear him."

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[행25:23-27, 쉬운성경]

23 이튿날, 아그립바와 버니게는 화려한 행렬을 갖추고 군대 지휘관들과 그 도시의 유지들과 함께 재판정에 나타났다. 베스도가 명령하자, 바울이 끌려나왔습니다.

24 그 때, 베스도가 말했습니다. "아그립바 왕 전하, 그리고 이 자리에 함께하신 여러분, 이 사람을 보십시오. 이 사람은 이 곳과 예루살렘에 있는 모든 유대인들이 살려 두어서는 안 된다고 소리치면서 나에게 고소한 사람입니다.

25 그러나 내가 판단하기에 그는 죽음을 당할 만한 죄를 범하지 않았습니다. 그런데 그가 황제에게 상소하였으므로 그를 로마로 보내기로 결정했습니다.

26 하지만 이 사람에 관해서 황제께 써 보낼 만한 자료가 내게는 없습니다. 그래서 이 사람을 여러분 앞에, 특별히 아그립바 왕 앞에 불러 낸 것입니다. 나는 여러분이 이 사람을 심문하면 황제께 보고할 자료가 생기지 않을까 기대하고 있습니다.

27 황제께 죄수를 보내면서 그 죄목이 무엇인지 알리지 않는 것은 사리에 맞지 않는 일이라고 생각합니다."

[Ac 25:23-27, NIV]

23 The next day Agrippa and Bernice came with great pomp and entered the audience room with the high-ranking military officers and the prominent men of the city. At the command of Festus, Paul was brought in.

24 Festus said: "King Agrippa, and all who are present with us, you see this man! The whole Jewish community has petitioned me about him in Jerusalem and here in Caesarea, shouting that he ought not to live any longer.

25 I found he had done nothing deserving of death, but because he made his appeal to the Emperor I decided to send him to Rome.

26 But I have nothing definite to write to His Majesty about him. Therefore I have brought him before all of you, and especially before you, King Agrippa, so that as a result of this investigation I may have something to write.

27 For I think it is unreasonable to send a prisoner on to Rome without specifying the charges against him."

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[행26:1-7, 쉬운성경]

1 아그립바가 바울에게 말했습니다. "당신 자신에 대해 해명할 기회를 주겠다." 그러자 바울이 손을 들어올리며 변명을 하기 시작했습니다.

2 "아그립바 왕이시여, 저와 관련하여 유대인들이 고소한 것에 대해 오늘 왕 앞에서 해명하게 된 것을 다행으로 생각합니다.

3 그것은 왕께서 유대인의 관습과 유대인들이 서로 다투고 있는 문제들을 잘 알고 계시기 때문입니다. 부탁드리고 싶은 것은 제 말을 끝까지 들어 달라는 것입니다.

4 모든 유대인들은 저의 일생을 다 알고 있습니다. 저의 어린 시절부터 시작하여 동쪽 가운데서, 그리고 예루살렘에서 어떻게 살아왔는지 잘 알고 있습니다.

5 그들이 저를 안 지는 오래 되었습니다. 그들은 하려고만 했다면, 제가 우리 종교의 가장 엄격한 바리새파 사람이고, 바리새파 사람으로서 생활하였다는 것을 증언할 수도 있을 것입니다.

6 지금 제가 여기 서서 재판을 받게 된 것은 하나님께서 우리 조상들에게 약속하신 것에 대한 소망 때문입니다.

7 이 소망은 우리 열두 지파가 밤이나 낮이나 열심을 다해 하나님을 섬기면서 그 약속이 이루어지기를 바라는 것이었습니다. 왕이시여, 바로 이 소망 때문에 저는 유대인들에게 고발을 당한 것입니다.

[Ac 26:1-7, NIV]

1 Then Agrippa said to Paul, "You have permission to speak for yourself."

So Paul motioned with his hand and began his defense:

2 "King Agrippa, I consider myself fortunate to stand before you today as I make my defense against all the accusations of the Jews,

3 and especially so because you are well acquainted with all the Jewish customs and controversies. Therefore, I beg you to listen to me patiently.

4 "The Jewish people all know the way I have lived ever since I was a child, from the beginning of my life in my own country, and also in Jerusalem.

5 They have known me for a long time and can testify, if they are willing, that I conformed to

the strictest sect of our religion, living as a Pharisee.

6 And now it is because of my hope in what God has promised our ancestors that I am on trial today.

7 This is the promise our twelve tribes are hoping to see fulfilled as they earnestly serve God day and night. King Agrippa, it is because of this hope that these Jews are accusing me.

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[행26:8-12, 쉬운성경]

8 여러분은 어찌하여 하나님께서 죽은 사람을 살리시는 것이 믿지 못할 일이라고 생각하십니까?

9 한때는 저 역시 나사렛 예수의 이름을 반대하는 일에 온 힘을 쏟아야 한다고 확신했던 사람입니다.

10 제가 예루살렘에서 했던 일이 그런 일이었습니다. 저는 대제사장들에게서 권한을 받아 많은 성도들을 감옥에 가두었습니다. 그리고 그들을 죽이는 일에 찬성했습니다.

11 저는 회당마다 찾아다니면서 여러 번 그들을 처벌했으며 강제로 예수님을 저주하게 했습니다. 그들을 향한 저의 분노가 어찌나 심하였던지 저는 다른 도시에까지 찾아다니면서 그들을 박해하기도 했습니다.

12 그러다가 한번은 대제사장들에게서 권한을 위임받아 다마스쿠스로 가게 되었습니다.

[Ac 26:8-12, NIV]

8 Why should any of you consider it incredible that God raises the dead?

9 "I too was convinced that I ought to do all that was possible to oppose the name of Jesus of Nazareth.

10 And that is just what I did in Jerusalem. On the authority of the chief priests I put many of the Lord's people in prison, and when they were put to death, I cast my vote against them.

11 Many a time I went from one synagogue to another to have them punished, and I tried to force them to blaspheme. I was so obsessed with persecuting them that I even hunted them down in foreign cities.

12 "On one of these journeys I was going to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests.

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[행26:13-18, 쉬운성경]

13 왕이시여, 저는 그 곳을 향해 가다가 정오쯤 되어 하늘에서 해보다 더 밝은 빛이 저와 제 일행을 둘러 비추는 것을 보았습니다.

14 우리는 모두 땅에 엎어졌습니다. 그 때에 저는 히브리 말로 '사울아, 사울아, 네가 어찌하여 나를 박해하느냐? 가서 돌친 채찍을 발로 차 보아야 너만 다칠 뿐이다'라는 음성을 들었습니다.

15 제가 '주님, 당신은 누구십니까?'라고 묻자, 주님께서는 이렇게 말씀하셨습니다. '나는 네가 박해하는 예수다.'

16 일어나라! 발을 딛고 서라! 내가 이렇게 네게 나타난 것은, 너를 나의 일꾼으로 삼아 네가 본 것과 앞으로 내가 네게 보여 줄 것을 사람들에게 증언하도록 하기 위해서이다.

17 내가 너를 이 백성과 이방인들에게서 구원할 것이며, 너를 이방인에게로 보내어

18 그들의 눈을 뜨게 하고, 어둠에서 빛으로, 사탄의 세력에서 하나님께로 돌아오게 하겠다. 그리하여 그들의 죄를 용서받을 수 있게 하고, 또 나를 믿어 거룩하게 된 백성들과 한자리에 들게 하겠다.'

[Ac 26:13-18, NIV]

13 About noon, King Agrippa, as I was on the road, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, blazing around me and my companions.

14 We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.'

15 "Then I asked, 'Who are you, Lord?'
" 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,' the Lord replied.

16 'Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me.

17 I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them

18 to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.'

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[행26:19-23, 쉬운성경]

19 아그립바 왕이시여, 저는 하늘로부터 받은 이 환상에 복종하지 않을 수 없었습니다.

20 저는 처음에는 다마스쿠스 사람들에게, 그 다음에는 예루살렘과 유대 지방의 모든 사람들에게, 나중에는 이방인들에게까지 회개하고 하나님께 돌아와서 회개한 모습을 행동으로써 보이라고 선포했습니다.

21 이런 일들 때문에 유대인들이 저를 성전에서 붙잡아 죽이려고 했습니다.

22 그러나 저는 이 날까지 하나님의 도우심을 받아 왔습니다. 그래서 지금 제가 본 것을 이 자리에서 높은 사람이나 낮은 사람이나 모든 사람들에게 증언하고 있습니다. 저는 모세와 예언자들이 앞으로 일어나리라고 예언한 것 이외에는 아무것도 말하지 않았습니다.

23 모세와 예언자들은 그리스도께서 고난을 당하신다는 것과 죽은 자들 가운데서 먼저 부활하실 것과 자기 백성과 이방인들에게 빛을 선포하실 것을 예언했습니다."

[Ac 26:19-23, NIV]

19 "So then, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven.

20 First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds.

21 That is why some Jews seized me in the temple courts and tried to kill me.

22 But God has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen—

23 that the Messiah would suffer and, as the first to rise from the dead, would bring the message of light to his own people and to the Gentiles."

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[행26:24-32, 쉬운성경]

24 바울이 이런 식으로 변명하자, 베스도가 바울을 향해 큰소리로 "바울아, 네가 미쳤구나. 너의 많은 학식 때문에 네가 미쳐 버렸다"라고 말했습니다.

25 그러나 바울은 이렇게 대답했습니다. "베스도 각하, 저는 미치지 않았습니다. 제가 드린 말은 다 사실입니다. 전부 맑은 정신으로 하는 말입니다.

26 아그립바 왕이 이 사실을 알고 계시므로 제가 거리낌없이 말씀드릴 수 있었던 것입니다. 이 일은 어느 한 구석에서 일어난 일이 아니기 때문에 어느 하나도 왕이 모르실 리가 없다고 저는 확신합니다.

27 아그립바 왕이시여, 예언자들의 말을 믿으십니까? 믿으시는 줄 압니다."

28 그러자 아그립바 왕이 바울에게 말했습니다. "그토록 짧은 시간에 나를 설득하여 그리스도인이 되게 할 수 있다고 생각하는가?"

29 바울이 대답했습니다. "짧은 시간이든 긴 시간이든 왕뿐만 아니라 지금 제 말을 듣고 있는 모든 사람들이 이렇게 결박된 것 말고는 저처럼 되기를 하나님께 기도합니다."

30 그러자 아그립바 왕과 베스도 총독과 버니게를 비롯해서 그들과 함께 앉아 있던 사람들이 다 일어났습니다.

31 그들은 그 방을 나갔습니다. 그들은 서로 이야기하면서 "이 사람은 사형을 당하거나 감옥에 갇힐 만한 일은 하나도 하지 않았다"고 말했습니다.

32 아그립바는 베스도에게 "이 사람이 황제에게 상소하지 않았다면, 지금 석방될 수도 있었을 텐데"라고 말했습니다.

[Ac 26:24-32, NIV]

24 At this point Festus interrupted Paul's defense. "You are out of your mind, Paul!" he shouted. "Your great learning is driving you insane."

25 "I am not insane, most excellent Festus," Paul replied. "What I am saying is true and reasonable.

26 The king is familiar with these things, and I can speak freely to him. I am convinced that none of this has escaped his notice, because it was not done in a corner.

27 King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know you do."

28 Then Agrippa said to Paul, "Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?"

29 Paul replied, "Short time or long—I pray to God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am, except for these chains."

30 The king rose, and with him the governor and Bernice and those sitting with them.

31 After they left the room, they began saying to one another, "This man is not doing anything that deserves death or imprisonment."

32 Agrippa said to Festus, "This man could have been set free if he had not appealed to Caesar."

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[행27:1-8, 쉬운성경]

1 우리가 배를 타고 이탈리아로 가기로 결정되자, 그들은 황제 부대 소속 올리오라는 백부장에게 바울과 다른 죄수들을 넘겨 주었습니다.

2 우리는 아드라뭇데노에서 온 배를 타고 떠났습니다. 그 배는 아시아 지방의 여러 항구를 거쳐 가는 배였습니다. 데살로니가 출신의 마케도니아 사람인 아리스다가 우리와 함께 가게 되었습니다.

3 이튿날, 우리는 시돈에 도착했습니다. 올리오는 바울에게 매우 친절했습니다. 그는 바울이 자유롭게 친구들에게 갈 수 있게 해 주었고, 그들이 바울에게 쓸 것을 줄 수 있게 하였습니다.

4 시돈을 떠나 항해를 계속하려고 했을 때, 맞바람이 세차게 불어 와 키프로스 섬에 바짝 불어 항해해야 했습니다.

5 우리는 길리기아와 밤빌리아 앞 바다를 가로질러 항해한 후에 루기아 지방의 무라에 도착했습니다.

6 그 곳에서 로마 군대 백부장은 알렉산드리아를 떠나 이탈리아로 가는 배를 발견하고 우리를 그 배에 태웠습니다.

7 우리는 며칠 동안, 천천히 항해한 끝에 간신히 니도 앞 바다에 이르게 되었습니다. 맞바람이 너무 세차게 불어 와 우리가 가려던 항로로 더 이상 나아갈 수 없어서 살모네 맞은편에 있는 크레타 섬을 끼고 항해하였습니다.

8 우리는 해안가를 따라 어렵게 항해하여 라새아라는 도시에서 가까운 '아름다운 항구'라 하는 곳에 도착하였습니다.

[Ac 27:1-8, NIV]

1 When it was decided that we would sail for Italy, Paul and some other prisoners were handed over to a centurion named Julius, who belonged to the Imperial Regiment.

2 We boarded a ship from Adramyttium about to sail for ports along the coast of the province of Asia, and we put out to sea. Aristarchus, a Macedonian from Thessalonica, was with us.

3 The next day we landed at Sidon; and Julius, in kindness to Paul, allowed him to go to his friends so they might provide for his needs.

4 From there we put out to sea again and passed to the lee of Cyprus because the winds were against us.

5 When we had sailed across the open sea off the coast of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we landed at Myra in Lycia.

6 There the centurion found an Alexandrian ship sailing for Italy and put us on board.

7 We made slow headway for many days and had difficulty arriving off Cnidus. When the wind did not allow us to hold our course, we sailed to the lee of Crete, opposite Salmone.

8 We moved along the coast with difficulty and came to a place called Fair Havens, near the town of Lasea.

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[행27:9-19, 쉬운성경]

9 시간을 많이 빼앗긴 데다가 이미 금식 기간도 지나 더 이상 항해하는 것이 위험했으므로 바울이 그들에게 충고했습니다.

10 "여러분, 계속해서 항해를 하다가는 큰 어려움을 겪게 될 것이라고 생각합니다. 배와 짐만 손실되는 것이 아니라 우리 목숨까지도 잃게 될 것입니다."

11 그러나 백부장은 바울의 말을 듣기보다는 선장과 선주의 말을 더 믿었습니다.

12 그 항구는 겨울을 보내기에는 적당하지 못한 항구였기 때문에 사람들은 대부분 그 곳을 떠나 뵤닉스에 가서 겨울을 보내고 싶어했습니다. 뵤닉스는 크레타 섬에 있는 항구 도시인데 남서쪽과 북서쪽을 향해 위치한 곳이었습니다.

13 마침 남쪽에서 순풍이 불기 시작하자, 사람들은 자기들의 계획대로 되리라고 생각했습니다. 그래서 그들은 닻을 올리고 크레타 섬 해안을 따라 항해하기 시작했습니다.

14 그런데 갑자기 '유라굴로'라고 부르는 폭풍이 섬 쪽에서 불어 왔습니다.

15 배는 폭풍에 휘말려 바람을 거슬러 조금도 앞으로 나아가지를 못했습니다. 그래서 우리는 앞으로 가려는 노력은 포기하고 바람이 부는 대로 배를 내맡기고 표류하기 시작했습니다.

16 그러다가 가우다라는 작은 섬의 남쪽 방향으로 떠밀려갈 때에 우리는 간신히 거룻배를 끌어올릴 수 있었습니다.

17 선원들은 거룻배를 끌어올린 다음에 밧줄로 동여맸습니다. 그들은 배가 스킨디스의 모래톱에 걸릴까 염려하여 돛을 내리고 배를 바람 부는 대로 떠밀려가게 했습니다.

18 우리가 폭풍에 너무도 시달리자 이튿날에는 선원들이 짐을 바다에 내던졌습니다.

19 삼 일째 되는 날에는 배의 장비마저 내어 던졌습니다.

[Ac 27:9-19, NIV]

9 Much time had been lost, and sailing had already become dangerous because by now it was after the Day of Atonement. So Paul warned them,

10 "Men, I can see that our voyage is going to be disastrous and bring great loss to ship and cargo, and to our own lives also."

11 But the centurion, instead of listening to what Paul said, followed the advice of the pilot and of the owner of the ship.

12 Since the harbor was unsuitable to winter in, the majority decided that we should sail on, hoping to reach Phoenix and winter there. This was a harbor in Crete, facing both southwest and northwest.

13 When a gentle south wind began to blow, they saw their opportunity; so they weighed anchor and sailed along the shore of Crete.

14 Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island.

15 The ship was caught by the storm and could not head into the wind; so we gave way to it and were driven along.

16 As we passed to the lee of a small island called Cauda, we were hardly able to make the lifeboat secure,

17 so the men hoisted it aboard. Then they passed ropes under the ship itself to hold it together. Because they were afraid they would run aground on the sandbars of Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and let the ship be driven along.

18 We took such a violent battering from the storm that the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard.

19 On the third day, they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands.

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[행27:20-26, 쉬운성경]

20 우리는 며칠째 해도 보지 못했고 별도 보지 못했습니다. 바람은 계속해서 거세게 불어 왔습니다. 결국 우리는 살아남을 수 있다는 희망을 모두 포기하고 말았습니다.

21 사람들이 오랫동안 아무것도 먹지 못하고 있는 가운데 바울이 일어나 그들에게 말했습니다. "여러분, 내가 크레타 섬을 떠나지 말자고 한 말을 들었어야 했습니다. 그랬다면 이런 손해를 입지 않았을 것이고 물건을 잃어버리지도 않았을 것입니다.

22 하지만 여러분, 이제 제가 권합니다. 용기를 내십시오. 이 배만 잃을 뿐 여러분 중에는 한 사람도 목숨을 잃지 않을 것입니다.

23 지난 밤에 나의 주님이요, 내가 섬기는 하나님의 천사가 내 곁에 나타나 이렇게 말해 주었습니다.

24 '바울아, 두려워하지 마라. 너는 반드시 황제 가이사 앞에 서야 한다. 하나님께서 너와 함께 항해하는 모든 사람들의 목숨을 너에게 맡겨 주셨다.'

25 그러니 여러분, 용기를 내십시오. 나는 하나님을 믿습니다. 모든 일이 하나님의 천사가 내게 말씀하신 대로 이루어질 것입니다.

26 우리는 반드시 어떤 섬에 밀려가 닿게 될 것입니다."

[Ac 27:20-26, NIV]

20 When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved.

21 After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: "Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss.

22 But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed.

23 Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me

24 and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.'

25 So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told

me.

26 Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island."

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[행27:27-32, 쉬운성경]

27 십사 일 되던 밤에 우리는 아드리아 바다에서 표류 하였습니다. 한밤중에 선원들은 우리가 어떤 섬에 가까워지고 있음을 느꼈습니다.

28 그래서 물 깊이를 재어 보니 약 40미터였고, 조금 더 가서 다시 재어 보니 이번에는 약 30미터였습니다.

29 우리는 혹시 암초에 걸리지는 않을까 염려가 되어 닻 네 개를 물에 던져 놓고 날이 밝기를 기다렸습니다.

30 그런데 선원 몇 사람이 배에서 빠져 나갈 속셈으로 배 앞쪽에 닻을 더 내린다는 구실로 거룻배를 물에 내렸습니다.

31 그러자 바울이 백부장과 군인들에게 "이 사람들이 배에 남아 있지 않으면 당신들마저 구조되지 못합니다" 라고 말했습니다.

32 그래서 군인들이 밧줄을 끊어서 거룻배를 떼어 버렸습니다.

[Ac 27:27-32, NIV]

27 On the fourteenth night we were still being driven across the Adriatic Sea, when about midnight the sailors sensed they were approaching land.

28 They took soundings and found that the water was a hundred and twenty feet deep. A short time later they took soundings again and found it was ninety feet deep.

29 Fearing that we would be dashed against the rocks, they dropped four anchors from the stern and prayed for daylight.

30 In an attempt to escape from the ship, the sailors let the lifeboat down into the sea, pretending they were going to lower some anchors from the bow.

31 Then Paul said to the centurion and the soldiers, "Unless these men stay with the ship, you cannot be saved."

32 So the soldiers cut the ropes that held the lifeboat and let it drift away.

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[행27:33-37, 쉬운성경]

33 날이 밝을 무렵, 바울은 모든 사람에게 음식을 먹으라고 권하면서 말했습니다. "지난 십사 일 동안, 여러분은 마음을 졸이며 지금까지 아무것도 먹지 않고 지냈습니다.

34 하지만 이제는 음식을 드십시오. 그래야 살아남을 수 있습니다. 여러분 중에 그 누구도 머리카락 하나도 잃지 않을 것입니다."

35 바울은 이 말을 하고서 모든 사람 앞에서 빵을 들어 하나님께 감사 기도를 드리고 빵을 떼어 먹기 시작했습니다.

36 그러자 사람들도 용기를 얻어 음식을 먹었습니다.

37 배 안에 있던 사람들은 모두 이백칠십육 명이었습니다.

[Ac 27:33-37, NIV]

33 Just before dawn Paul urged them all to eat. "For the last fourteen days," he said, "you have been in constant suspense and have gone without food—you haven't eaten anything.

34 Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive. Not one of you will lose a single hair from his head."

35 After he said this, he took some bread and gave thanks to God in front of them all. Then he broke it and began to eat.

36 They were all encouraged and ate some food themselves.

37 Altogether there were 276 of us on board.

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[행27:38-44, 쉬운성경]

38 사람들은 음식을 배불리 먹고 나서 식량을 바다에 던져 배를 가볍게 했습니다.

39 날이 밝았습니다. 사람들은 그 곳이 어느 땅인지는 알 수 없었지만 그들의 눈에 모래밭이 있는 항만이 눈에 띄었습니다. 그래서 그들은 어떻게 해서든지 배를 모래밭에 대기로 작정하였습니다.

40 그들은 닻줄을 끊어서 닻을 바다에 내버리는 동시에 키를 묶은 밧줄을 풀었습니다. 그리고 앞 돛을 올려서 바람을 타고 해안 쪽으로 배를 몰았습니다.

41 그러나 배는 두 물살이 만나는 곳에 들어가 모래톱에 걸리고 말았습니다. 뱃머리는 꼼짝도 하지 않고, 배 뒤쪽은 거센 파도에 부딪혀 깨어졌습니다.

42 군인들은 죄수들이 헤엄쳐 도망칠까봐, 그들을 죽이려고 계획을 짰습니다.

43 그러나 백부장 올리오는 바울을 살리고 싶어했습니다. 그는 군인들이 죄수를 죽이지 못하도록 헤엄칠 수 있는 사람은 모두 바다로 뛰어들어 육지로 올라가라고 명령했습니다.

44 남은 사람들은 널빤지나 부서진 배 조각을 붙잡고 나가게 명령했습니다. 그들은 모두 무사히 육지로 올라왔습니다.

[Ac 27:38-44, NIV]

38 When they had eaten as much as they wanted, they lightened the ship by throwing the grain into the sea.

39 When daylight came, they did not recognize the land, but they saw a bay with a sandy beach, where they decided to run the ship aground if they could.

40 Cutting loose the anchors, they left them in the sea and at the same time untied the ropes that held the rudders. Then they hoisted the foresail to the wind and made for the beach.

41 But the ship struck a sandbar and ran aground. The bow stuck fast and would not move, and the stern was broken to pieces by the pounding of the surf.

42 The soldiers planned to kill the prisoners to prevent any of them from swimming away and escaping.

43 But the centurion wanted to spare Paul's life and kept them from carrying out their plan. He

ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and get to land.

44 The rest were to get there on planks or on other pieces of the ship. In this way everyone reached land safely.

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[행28:1-6, 쉬운성경]

1 우리는 육지에 무사히 오른 뒤에야 그 섬이 몰타 섬이라는 것을 알았습니다.

2 비가 오고 매우 추웠습니다. 섬 사람들은 우리에게 분에 넘치는 친절을 베풀며 불을 피워 놓고 우리를 맞아 주었습니다.

3 바울이 장작을 한 무더기 모아다가 불에 넣었는데, 뜨거운 불 때문에 독사가 튀어나와 바울의 손을 물었습니다.

4 섬 사람들은 독사가 바울의 손에 매달려 있는 것을 보고 "이 사람은 틀림없이 살인자다. 바다에서는 살아 나왔는지 모르지만 '정의의 신'이 그를 살려 두지 않을 것이다"라며 서로 수군거렸습니다.

5 그러나 바울은 그 뱀을 불 속에 떨어 버렸고, 아무런 해도 입지 않았습니다.

6 사람들은 바울의 몸이 부어 오르거나 그가 갑자기 땅바닥에 쓰러져 죽으리라고 예상했습니다. 그런데 아무리 기다려도 바울에게 아무런 일이 일어나지 않자, 그들은 바울을 달리 생각하게 되었습니다. 그들은 바울을 신이라고 불렀습니다.

[Ac 28:1-6, NIV]

1 Once safely on shore, we found out that the island was called Malta.

2 The islanders showed us unusual kindness. They built a fire and welcomed us all because it was raining and cold.

3 Paul gathered a pile of brushwood and, as he put it on the fire, a viper, driven out by the heat, fastened itself on his hand.

4 When the islanders saw the snake hanging from his hand, they said to each other, "This man must be a murderer; for though he escaped from the sea, the goddess Justice has not allowed him to live."

5 But Paul shook the snake off into the fire and suffered no ill effects.

6 The people expected him to swell up or suddenly fall dead; but after waiting a long time and seeing nothing unusual happen to him, they changed their minds and said he was a god.

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[행28:7-10, 쉬운성경]

7 그 근처에 그 섬의 추장인 보블리오가 땅을 소유하고 있었습니다. 그 사람이 우리를 자기 집으로 초대해서 삼 일 동안, 친절하게 대접해 주었습니다.

8 때마침, 보블리오의 아버지가 열병과 이질에 걸려 자리에 누워 있었습니다. 바울이 그를 찾아가 기도하고 그 사람의 몸에 손을 얹어 그를 낫게 하였습니다.

9 이 일이 있는 뒤에, 그 섬에서 병을 앓고 있는 다른 사람들도 바울을 찾아와 고침을 받았습니다.

10 그 섬 사람들은 우리를 잘 대접해 주었습니다. 우리가 떠나려고 할 때, 그들은 필요한 물건들을 배에 실어 주었습니다.

[Ac 28:7-10, NIV]

7 There was an estate nearby that belonged to Publius, the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and showed us generous hospitality for three days.

8 His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him.

9 When this had happened, the rest of the sick on the island came and were cured.

10 They honored us in many ways; and when we were ready to sail, they furnished us with the supplies we needed.

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[행28:11-15, 쉬운성경]

11 석 달이 지난 후, 우리는 그 섬에서 겨울을 보낸 알렉산드리아 배를 타고 뱃길에 올랐습니다. 그 배의 앞에는 쌍둥이 신 표시가 있었습니다.

12 우리는 수라구사에 배를 대고 삼 일 동안을 지냈습니다.

13 그 곳을 떠나서는 레기온에 도착했습니다. 그 이튿날, 남풍이 불어 와서 그 곳을 쉽게 벗어날 수 있었습니다. 이틀만에 우리는 보디올에 닿았습니다.

14 거기서 우리는 신자들을 만나 그들의 초청을 받고 일주일 동안, 그들과 함께 지냈습니다. 그런 뒤에 마침내 우리는 로마에 도착했습니다.

15 로마에 있는 형제들은 우리가 온다는 소식을 듣고 '압비오 광장'과 '세 여관'까지 우리를 마중하러 왔습니다. 바울은 그들을 보자, 용기를 얻었으며 하나님께 감사했습니다.

[Ac 28:11-15, NIV]

11 After three months we put out to sea in a ship that had wintered in the island—it was an Alexandrian ship with the figurehead of the twin gods Castor and Pollux.

12 We put in at Syracuse and stayed there three days.

13 From there we set sail and arrived at Rhegium. The next day the south wind came up, and on the following day we reached Puteoli.

14 There we found some brothers and sisters who invited us to spend a week with them. And so we came to Rome.

15 The brothers and sisters there had heard that we were coming, and they traveled as far as the Forum of Appius and the Three Taverns to meet us. At the sight of these people Paul thanked God and was encouraged.

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[행28:16-20, 쉬운성경]

16 우리가 로마에 도착했을 때, 바울은 그를 지키는 군인 한 사람과 함께 혼자 지내도 된다는 허락을 받았습니다.

17 삼 일 뒤에 바울은 그 곳의 유대인 지도자들을 불러 모았습니다. 그들이 모이자, 바울은 이렇게 말했습니다. "동포 여러분, 나는 우리 백성이나 우리 조상들의 관습을 거스르는 일을 한 적이 없습니다. 그런데도 나는 예루살렘에서 붙잡혀 로마 사람들의 손에 넘겨졌습니다.

18 로마 사람들이 나를 심문했으나 내게는 사형을 당할 만한 죄가 없다는 것을 알고, 나를 풀어 주려 했습니다.

19 그런데 그 곳의 유대인들이 반대해서 나는 로마에 와서 황제에게 상소할 수밖에 없었습니다. 그렇다고 해서 내 백성을 고발하려는 것은 아닙니다.

20 이런 이유로 여러분을 뵈고 말씀드리고자 오시라고 했던 것입니다. 내가 이렇게 사슬에 매인 것은 이스라엘의 소망 때문입니다."

[Ac 28:16-20, NIV]

16 When we got to Rome, Paul was allowed to live by himself, with a soldier to guard him.

17 Three days later he called together the local Jewish leaders. When they had assembled, Paul said to them: "My brothers, although I have done nothing against our people or against the customs of our ancestors, I was arrested in Jerusalem and handed over to the Romans.

18 They examined me and wanted to release me, because I was not guilty of any crime deserving death.

19 The Jews objected, so I was compelled to make an appeal to Caesar. I certainly did not intend to bring any charge against my own people.

20 For this reason I have asked to see you and talk with you. It is because of the hope of Israel that I am bound with this chain."

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[행28:21-23, 쉬운성경]

21 유대인들이 바울에게 대답했습니다. "우리는 아직 유대로부터 당신에 관한 어떤 편지도 받은 적이 없습니다. 또 유대로부터 온 우리 형제들 중에서 당신에 관한 나쁜 소문을 전하거나 당신을 나쁘게 말한 사람도 없습니다.

22 우리는 다만 당신 생각을 듣고 싶습니다. 우리가 알기로는 어디를 가도 당신 종파에 대해서 반대하는 사람이 많다고 합니다."

23 바울과 유대인들은 만날 날짜를 정했습니다. 그 날이 되었을 때, 더 많은 유대인들이 바울이 지내고 있는 곳으로 모였습니다. 바울은 아침부터 저녁까지 그들에게 하나님의 나라를 설명하고 선포했습니다. 또 모세와 예언자들의 글을 예로 들어서 그들이 예수에 관한 것을 믿게 하려 애썼습니다.

[Ac 28:21-23, NIV]

21 They replied, "We have not received any letters from Judea concerning you, and none of our people who have come from there has reported or said anything bad about you.

22 But we want to hear what your views are, for we know that people everywhere are talking against this sect."

23 They arranged to meet Paul on a certain day, and came in even larger numbers to the place where he was staying. He witnessed to them from morning till evening, explaining about the kingdom of God, and from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets he tried to persuade them about Jesus.

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[행28:24-28, 쉬운성경]

24 바울의 말을 믿는 사람들도 있었지만 믿지 않는 사람들도 있었습니다.

25 그들이 이처럼 의견이 갈린 채 헤어질 때에 바울이 한 마디 말을 남겼습니다. "성령께서 예언자 이사야를 통해 여러분의 조상에게 말씀하신 것은 진리입니다.

26 '이 백성에게 가서 말하여라. 너희가 듣기는 들어도 깨닫지 못하고 보기는 보아도 알지 못할 것이다.

27 이 백성의 마음이 무디어졌고, 귀로는 듣지 못하며 눈은 감겼다. 이는 그들이 눈으로 보고 귀로 듣고 마음으로 깨닫고 내게 돌아와 고침을 받지 못하게 하려는 것이다.'

28 그러므로 여러분은 하나님의 이 구원이 이방인들에게도 전파되었다는 것을 알아야 합니다. 그들은 들을 것입니다."

[Ac 28:24-28, NIV]

24 Some were convinced by what he said, but others would not believe.

25 They disagreed among themselves and began to leave after Paul had made this final statement: "The Holy Spirit spoke the truth to your ancestors when he said through Isaiah the prophet:

26 "'Go to this people and say, "You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving."

27 For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would heal them.'

28 "Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!"

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[행28:30-31, 쉬운성경]

30 바울은 자기 셋집에서 꼬박 이 년을 지내면서 자기를 찾아오는 사람들을 다 맞이하였습니다.

31 그는 담대하게, 그리고 아무런 방해도 받지 않고 하나님의 나라를 전하고 주 예수 그리스도에 관해 가르쳤습니다.

[Ac 28:30-31, NIV]

30 For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him.

31 He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance!

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