

Paul's Defense Before Agrippa and Bernice

Acts 25:13 – 26:32

PART SIX: 26:24-32

Introduction

Paul Makes His Gospel Appeal to Agrippa: Acts 26:24-32

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"Paul, you are out of your mind"

2 Corinthians 5:13; NIV

"I am speaking true and rational words."

The gospel is the only explanation that makes any sense out the madness of this fallen world.

To reject the gospel is nothing short of insane.

Psalms 19:1

Psalms 33:6

John 1:3

"the world was made through him" John 1:10

Psalms 115:16

Hebrews 11:3

Isaiah 40:25-26

Jeremiah 10:12

Romans 1:19-20

The Gripping Gospel that Fails to Grip Agrippa

The Danger of the Willful Ignorance and the Pride in Partial Knowledge

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"I know that you believe."

Those who possess partial knowledge of the gospel, yet reject it are far worse off than those who do not.

Partial understanding of the gospel leads to passivity in the pew.

Did you come here to feel safe?

True expository preaching exposes, not just the inspired text, but aberrant hearts!

Better to face the truth now than when standing face to face with the Almighty Judge who wrote them.

Inaccurate or insufficient knowledge poses a greater danger to salvation than ignorance or indifference.

For there is no more help for him than what he knows to be true, but ignores it: Hebrews 10:26-31.

The Danger of Pride of the Intellect, or Position

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The gospel is the great 'leveler.'

"for all sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

Romans 5:12

1 Corinthians 1:26

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"except for these chains"

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"they had withdrawn"