



Paul, His Life and Teachings

Paul's Appeal

Lesson 27

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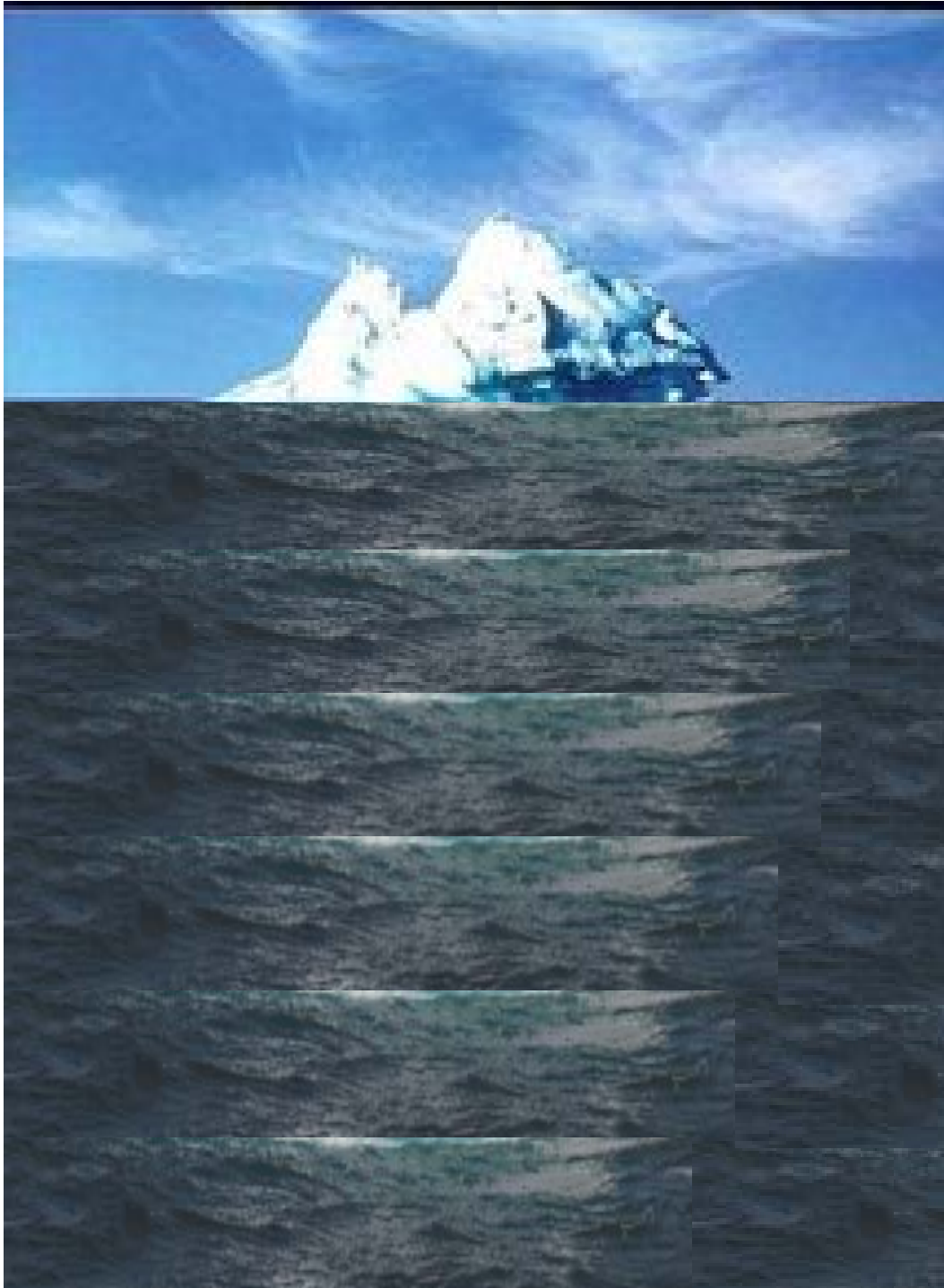
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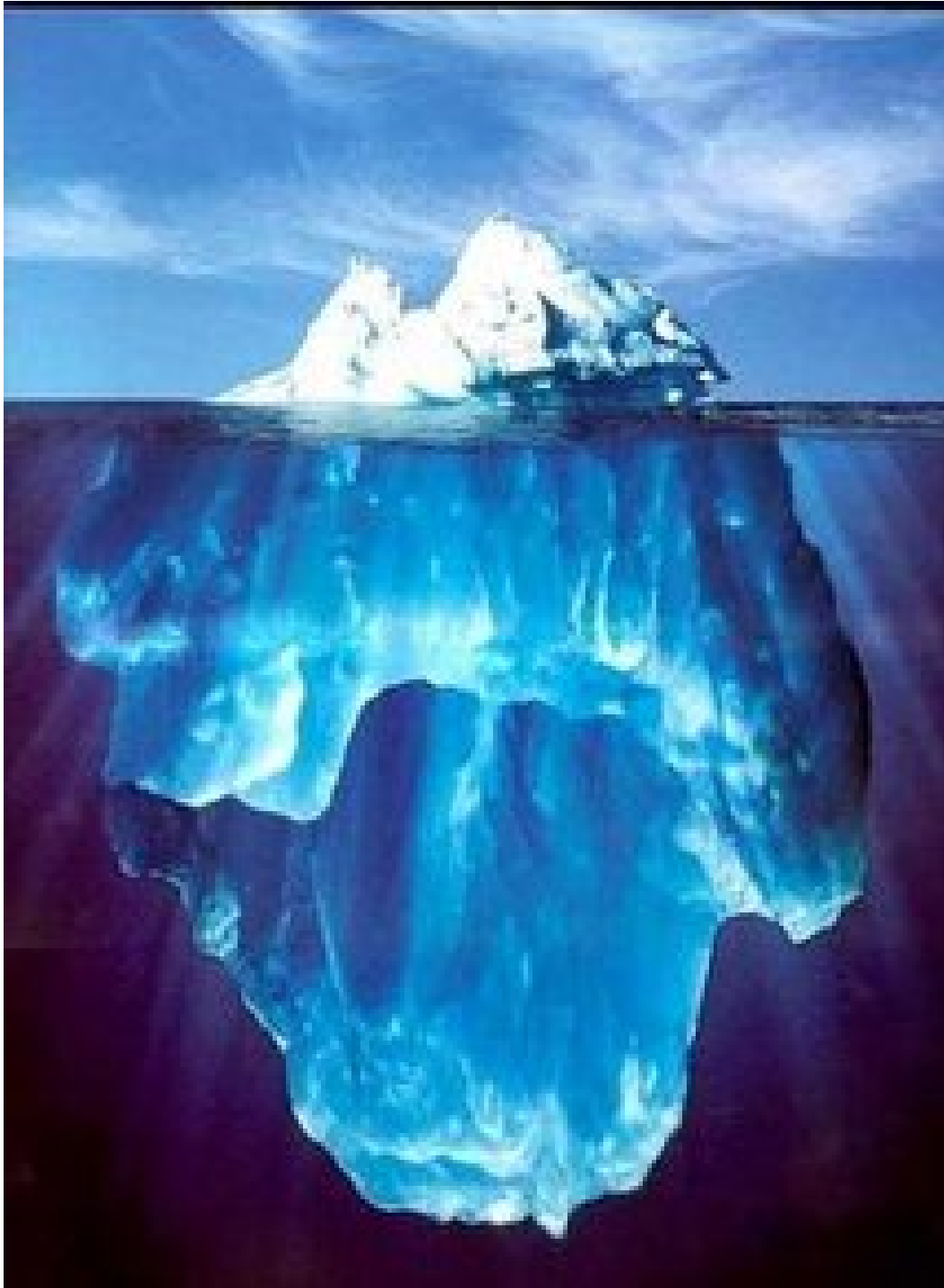
Spain until 711. **2** informal an uncivilized or barbaric
[Visigothus]

vision /'vɪʒən/ n. & v. ● n. **1** the act or faculty of seeing (his vision). **2 a** a thing or person seen in a
supernatural or prophetic apparition. **3 a** a thing
in the imagination (the romantic visions of
beaches). **4** imaginative insight. **5** ability to see
sighted way, e.g. in politics. **6** a person or thing
present in or as in a vision
English from Old French

visionary



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beyond what the
world sees



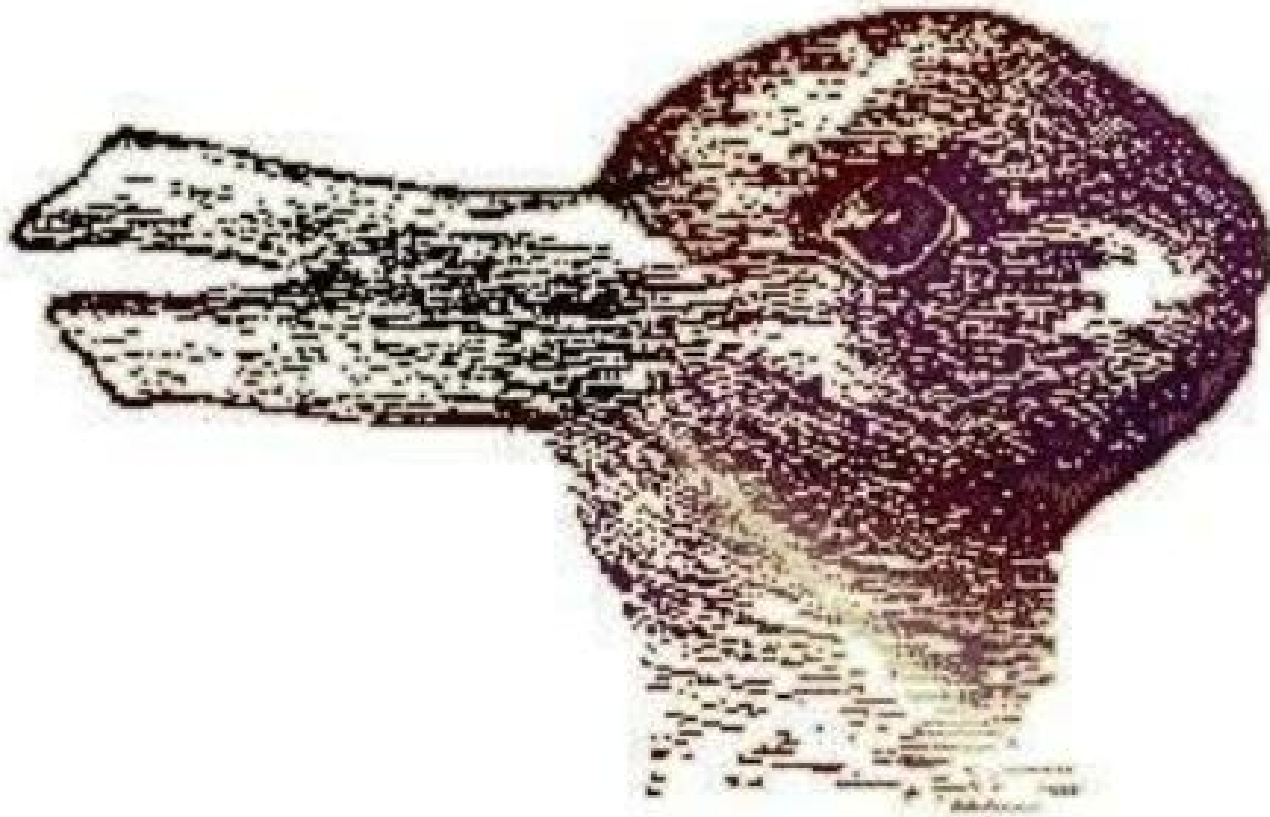
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That night in the Roman barracks, God comes to Paul



“The Lord stood by him and said, ‘Take courage, for as you have testified to the facts about me in Jerusalem, so you must testify also in Rome.’”

Watch the optical illusion of
history



Historical viewpoints come, in part, from Flavius Josephus



- Born AD 37
- Top Jerusalem education/Pharisee
- Went to Rome to fight rulings of Felix
- Commander in Jewish war
- Involvement with Agrippa

A Story of Caesarea



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A Story of Governor Felix



“Antonius Felix, practiced every kind of cruelty and lust, wielding the power of a king with all the instincts of a slave” - Tacitus



Governor Felix
finally loses his job
(and maybe more)!

“When two years had elapsed, Felix was succeeded by Porcius Festus. And desiring to do the Jews a favor, Felix left Paul in prison.”
(Acts 24:27).

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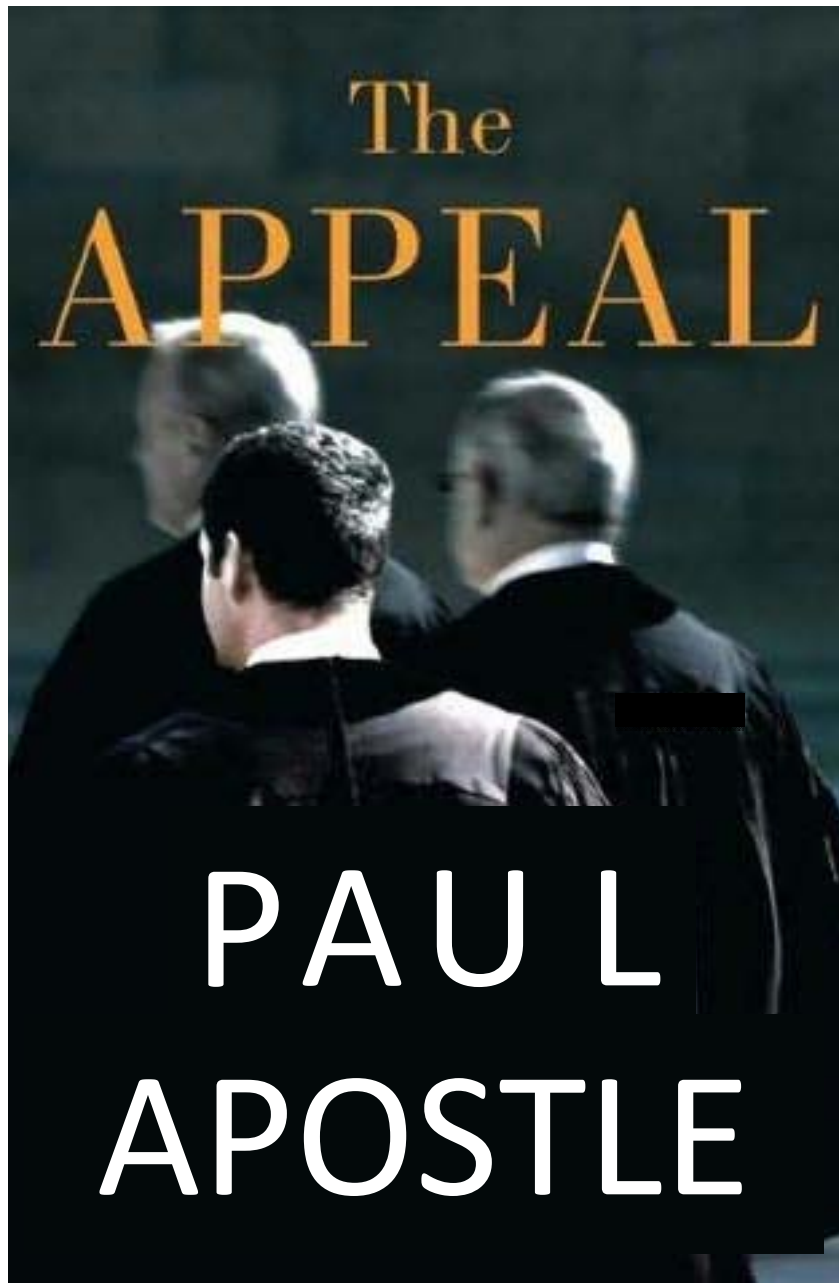
CONTAINING THE
OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS
TRANSLATED OUT OF THE ORIGINAL
AND WITH THE FORMER
DILIGENTLY COMPARED
BY HIS MAJESTY



Governor Festus
comes in to settle
things down

“Now three days after Festus had arrived in the province, he went up to Jerusalem.”
(Acts 25:1).





Paul Makes his
appeal to
Caesar Nero

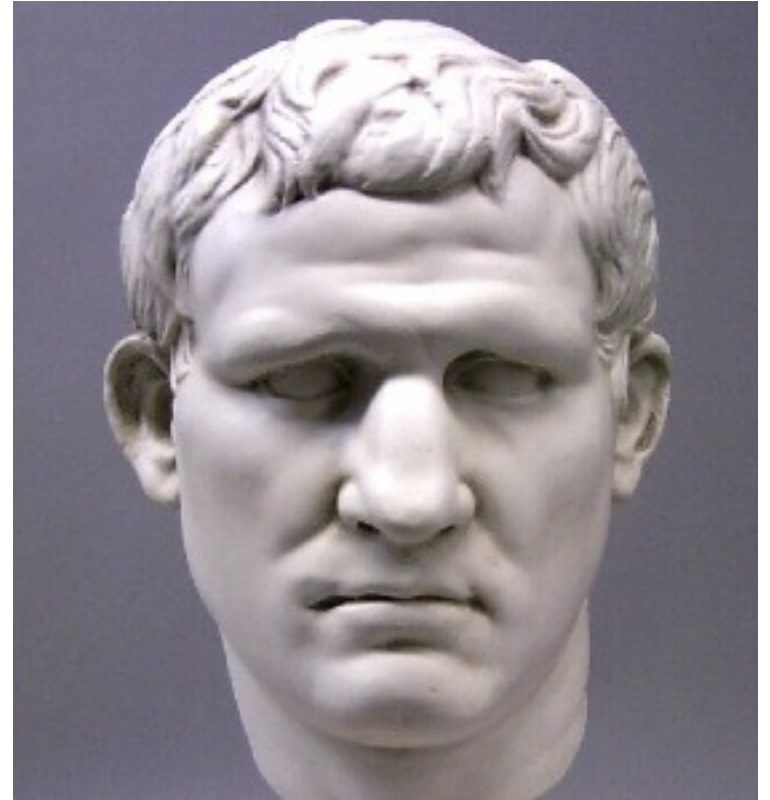
Meanwhile, King Agrippa and Bernice show up for a visit



King Agrippa Curriculum Vitae

Personal:

- Dad – Herod the King



King Agrippa

Curriculum Vitae



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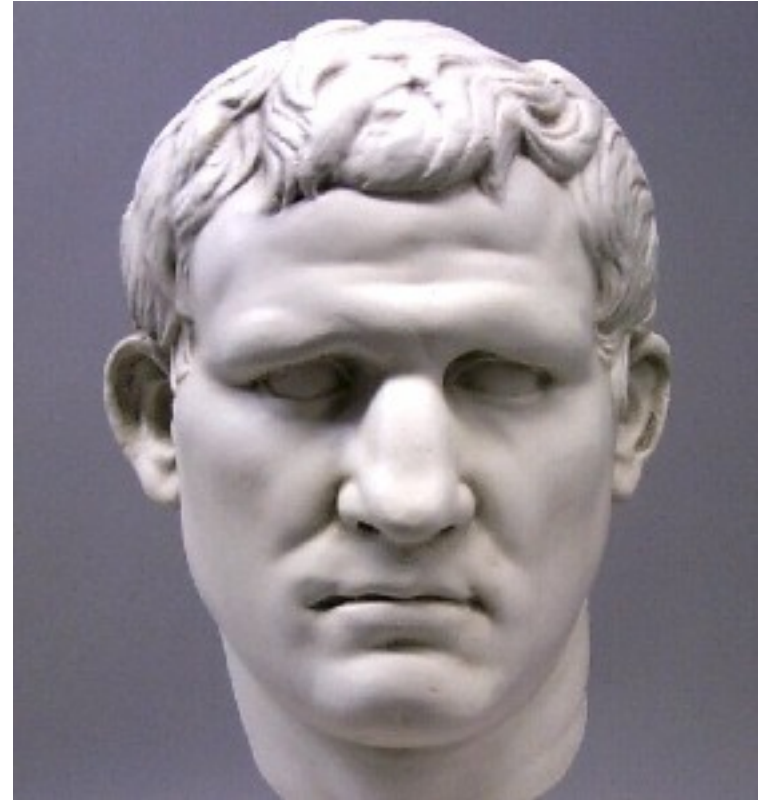
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“About that time Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also”
(Acts 12:1-3)

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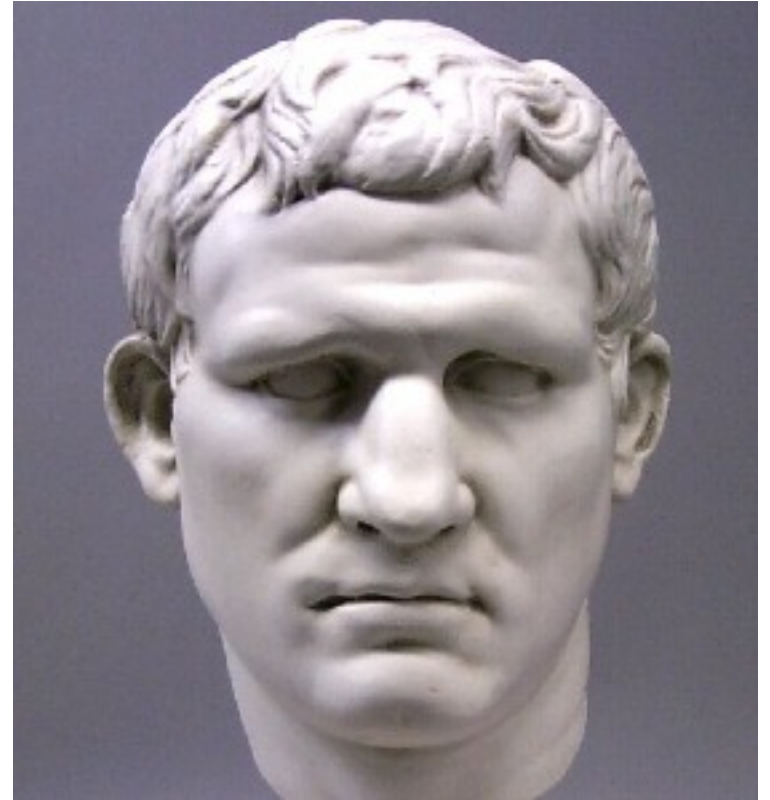
“Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under.” (Mt. 2:16)

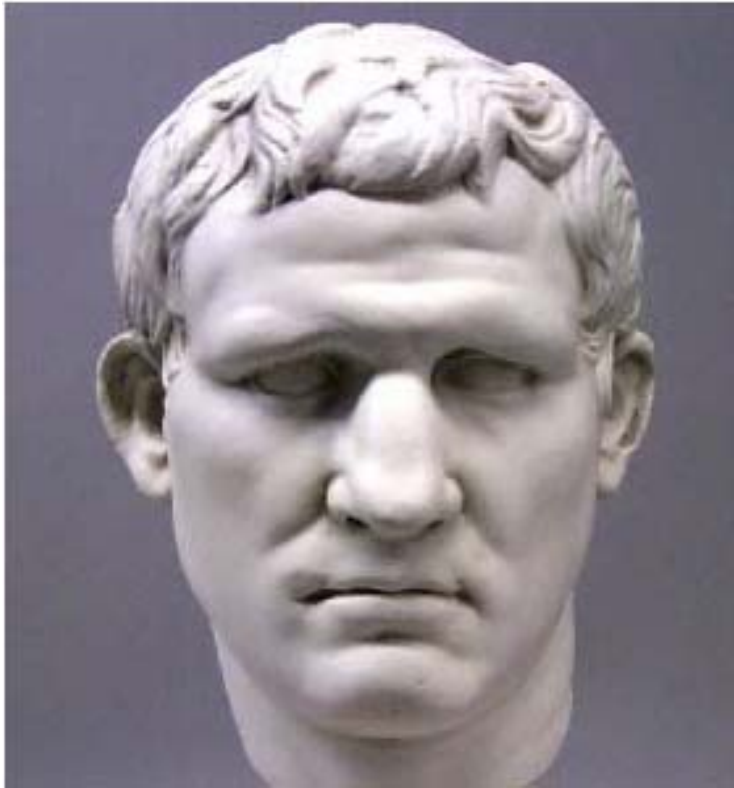
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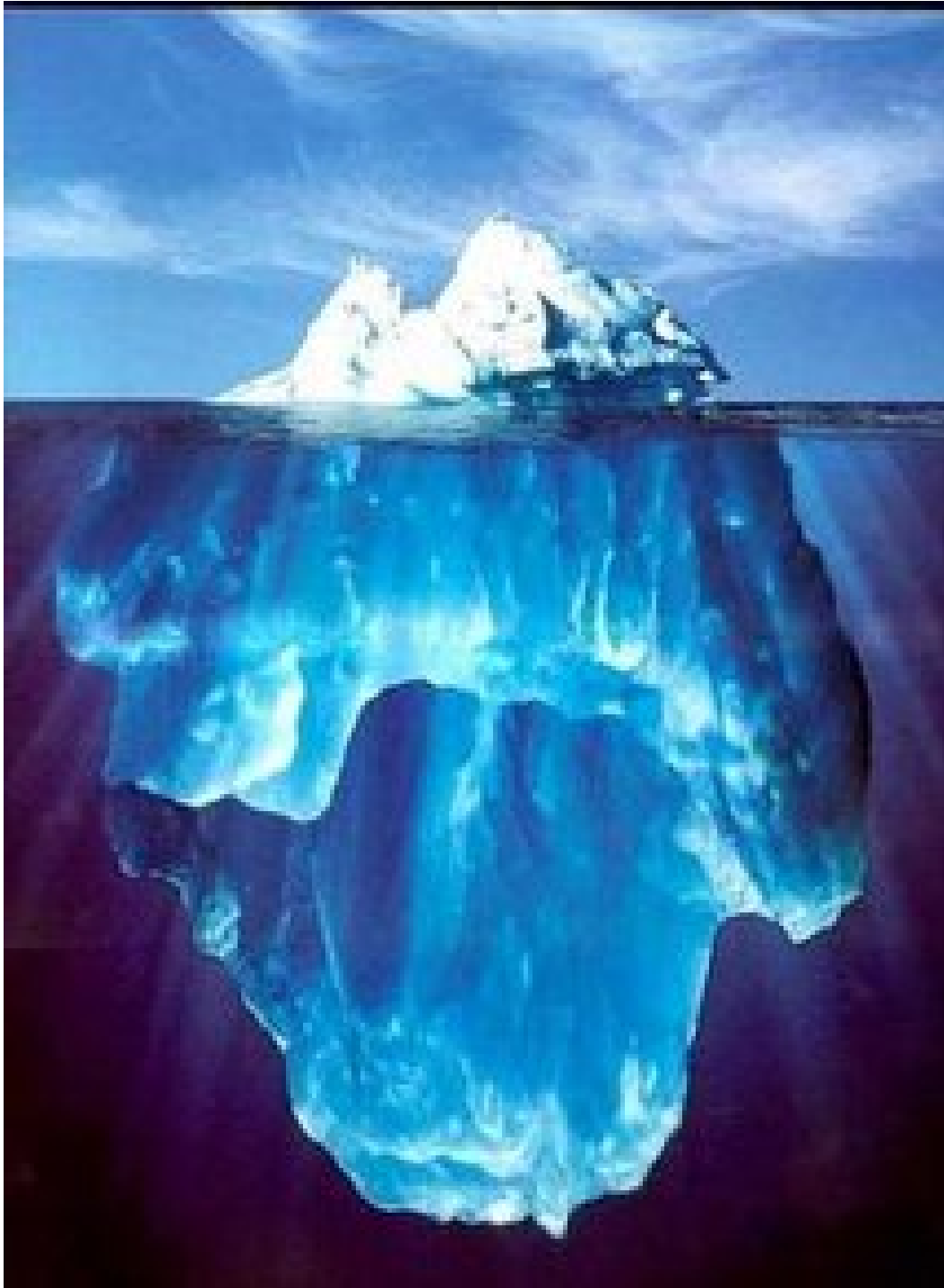
Personal:

- Dad – Herod the King
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- Three sisters: youngest Drusilla (married to ex-Gov. Felix)
- Oldest sister Bernice (Berenice)

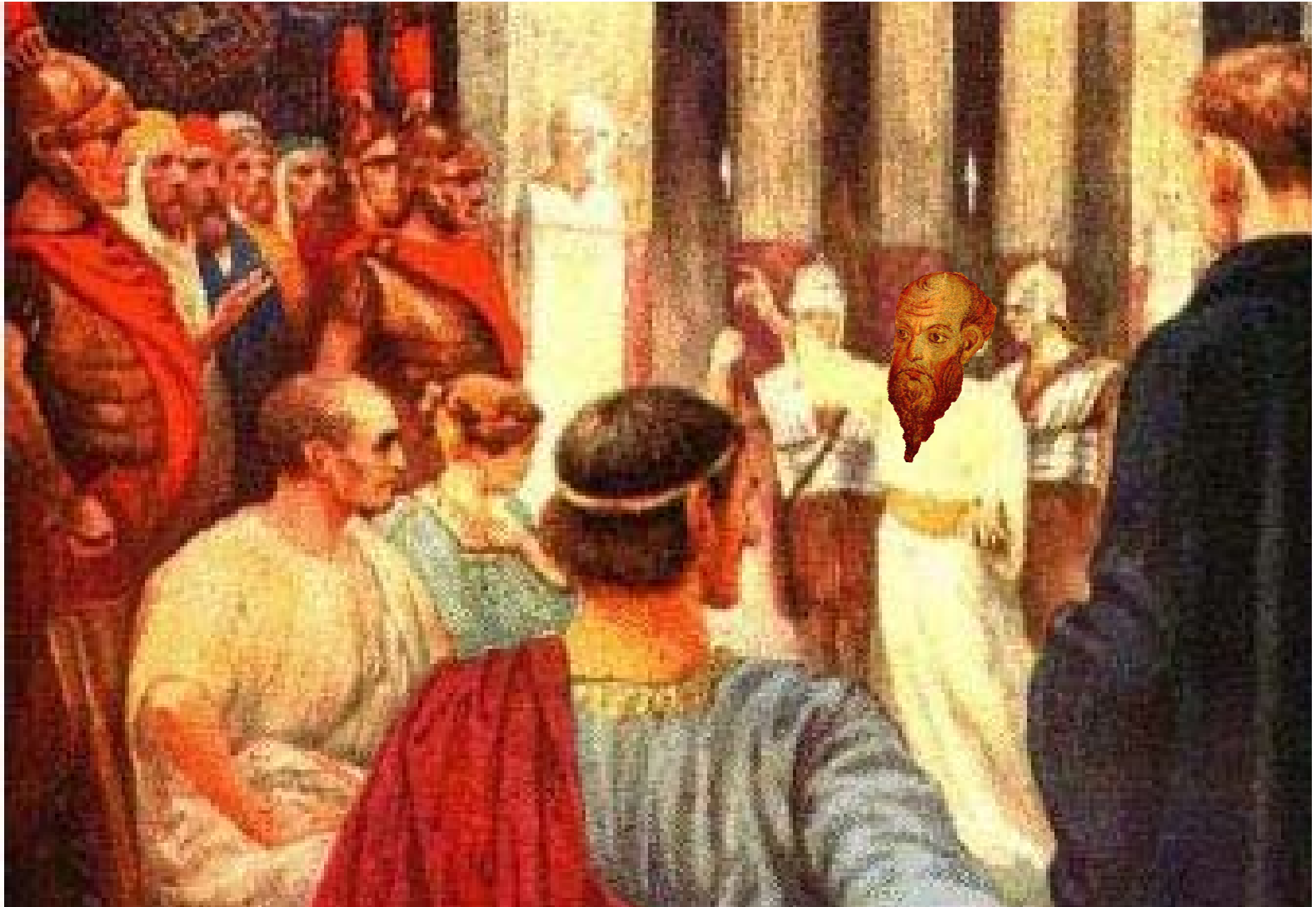




King Agrippa
commended
Josephus's history



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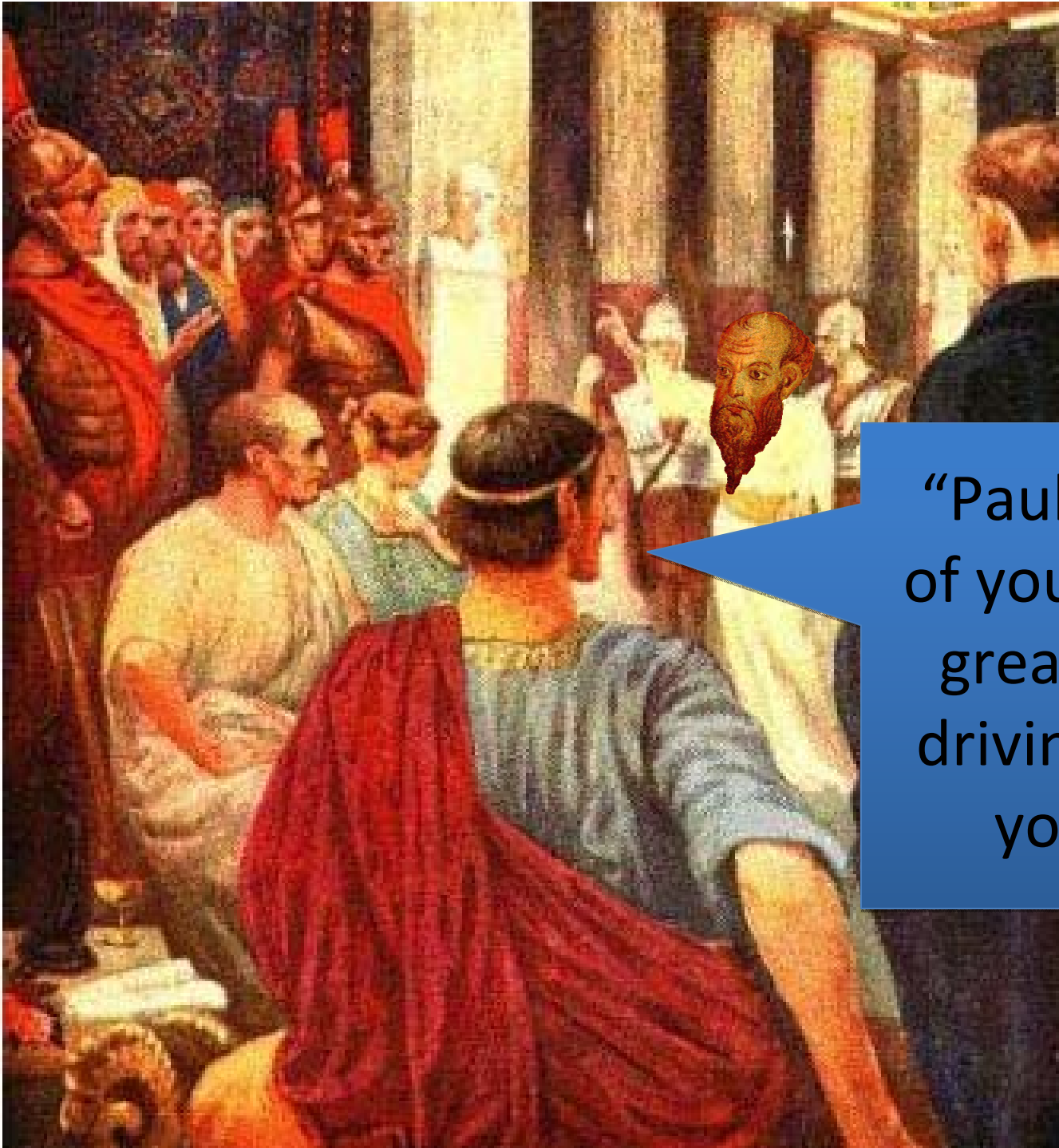


Paul appears before King Agrippa
and Bernice



“I consider myself fortunate that it is before you, King Agrippa, I am going to make my defense today against all the accusations of the Jews, especially because you are familiar with all the customs and controversies of the Jews. Therefore I beg you to listen to me patiently.”



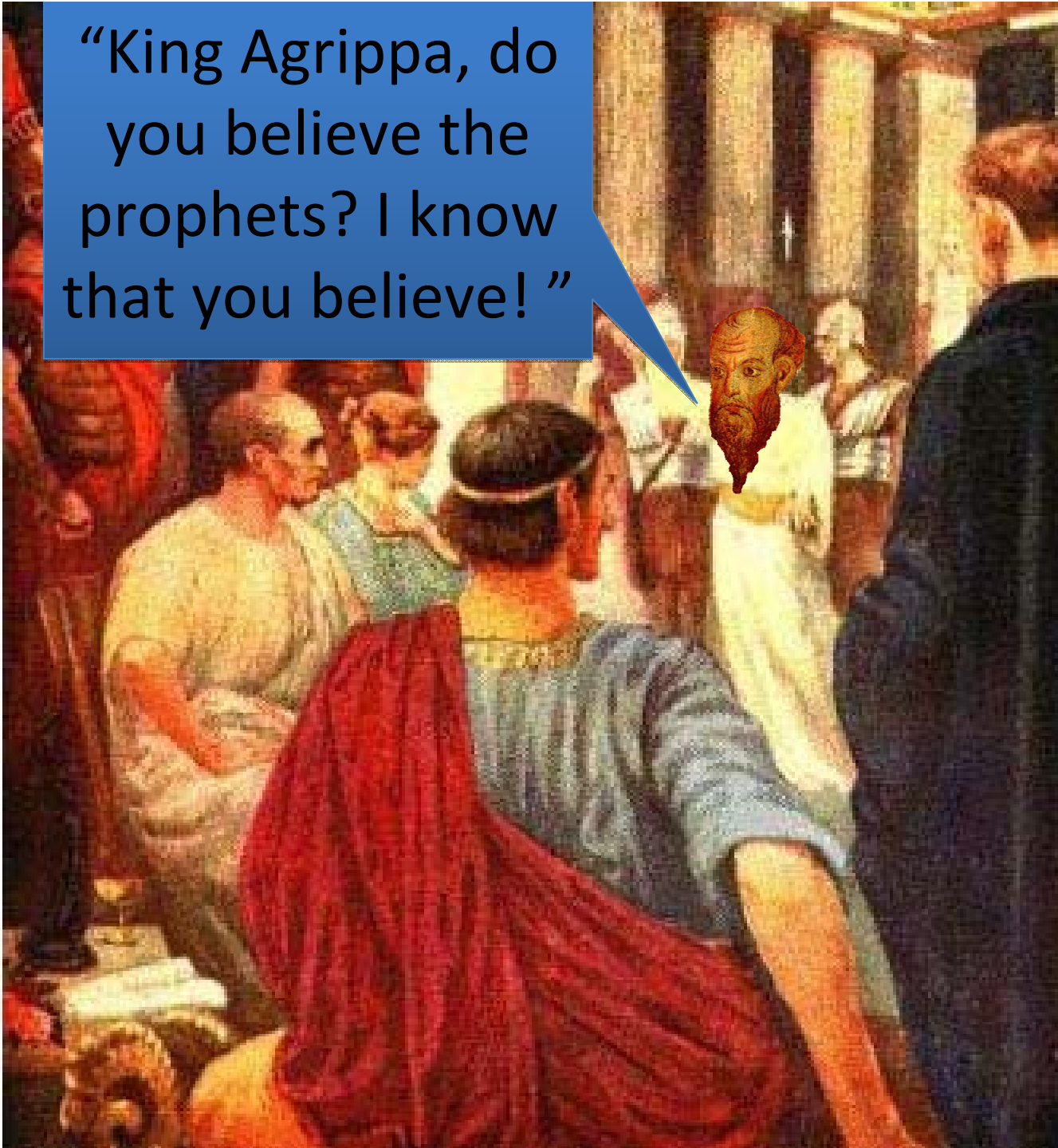


“Paul you are out of your mind; your great learning is driving you out of your mind!”

“I am not out of my mind, most excellent Festus, but I am speaking true and rational words. For the king knows about these things, and to him I speak boldly. For I am persuaded that none of these things has escaped his notice, for this has not been done in a corner.”



“King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know that you believe!”

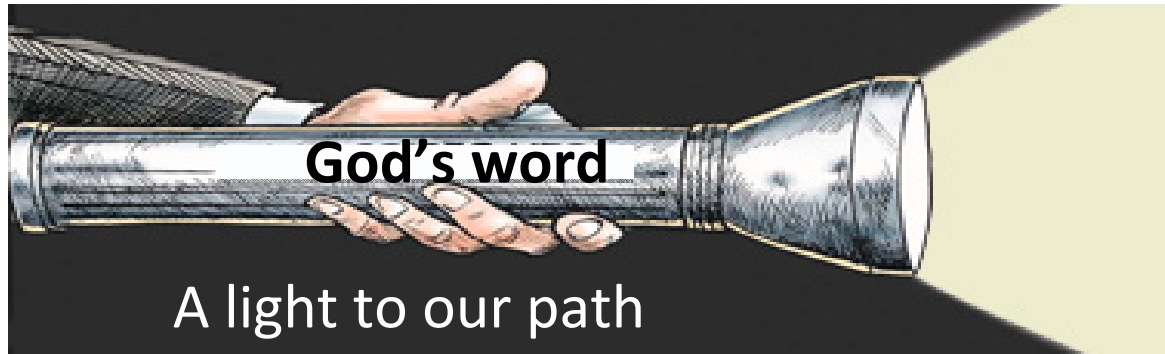




In a short time
would you
persuade me to
be a Christian?

“Whether short or long,
I would to God that not
only you but also all
who hear me this day
might become as I am –
except for these
chains.”

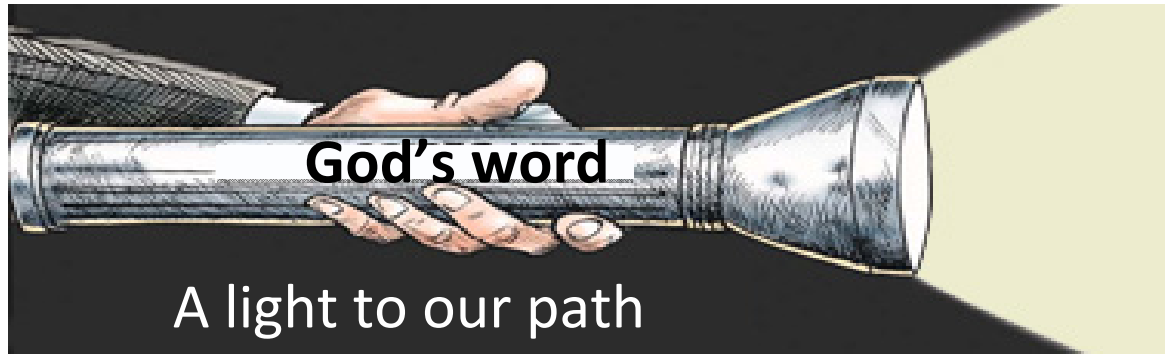




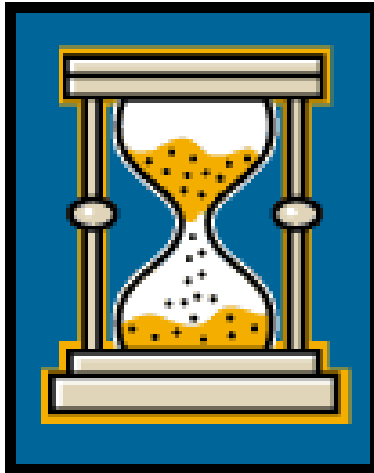
Points for Home



“Now when some days had passed” (Acts 25:13)



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God's timing is profound;
God's vision is profound

Roman Caesar

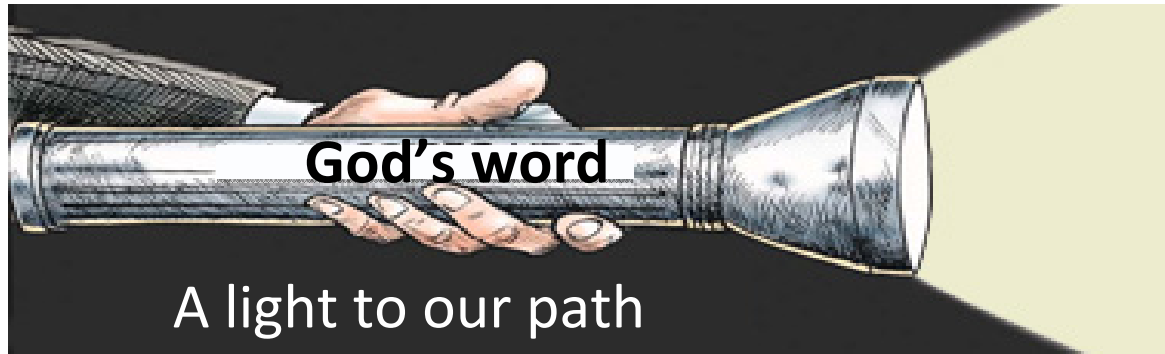
King and "Prominent men"

Roman Governors

Roman Tribune

Sanhedrin

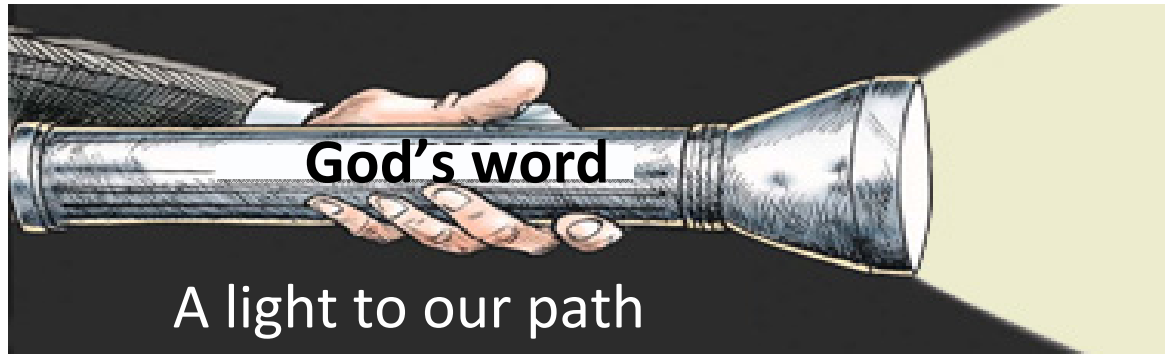




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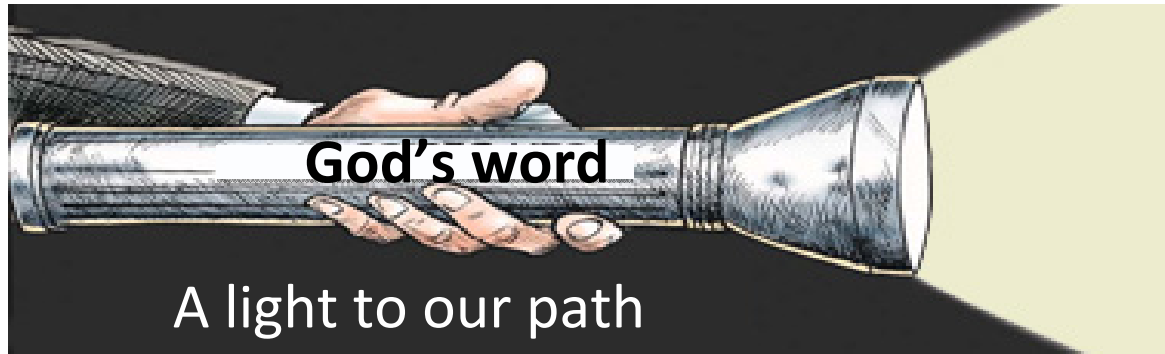


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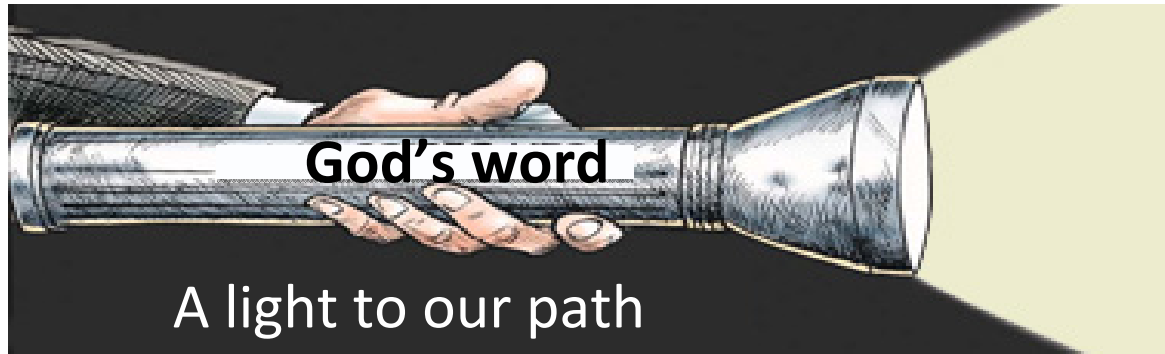
Rather than be “out of our mind” we are the ones in our right minds!



Points for Home



“Do you believe the prophets?”
(Acts 26:27)



A light to our path

Points for Home



“Do you believe the prophets?”
(Acts 26:27)

This is a personal decision – no more, no less