

Paul, His Life and Teachings

Paul's Second Missionary Journey Part Three

Lesson 16

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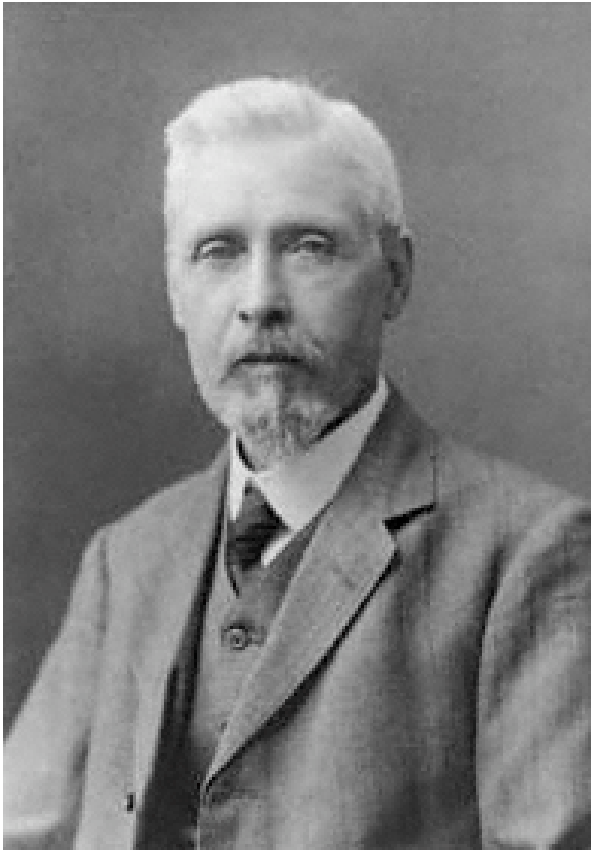
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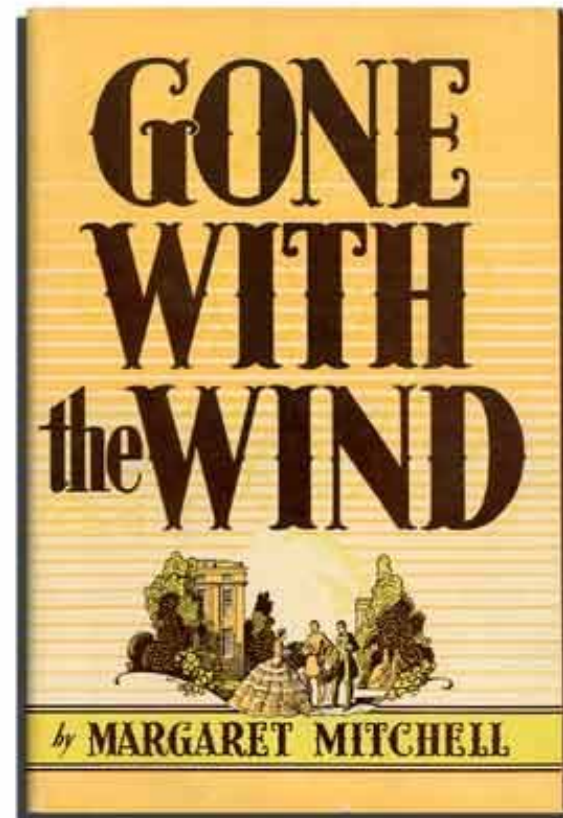
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Acts was indeed written by Luke, a personal friend of Paul's and a great and fully reliable resource







★ Athens



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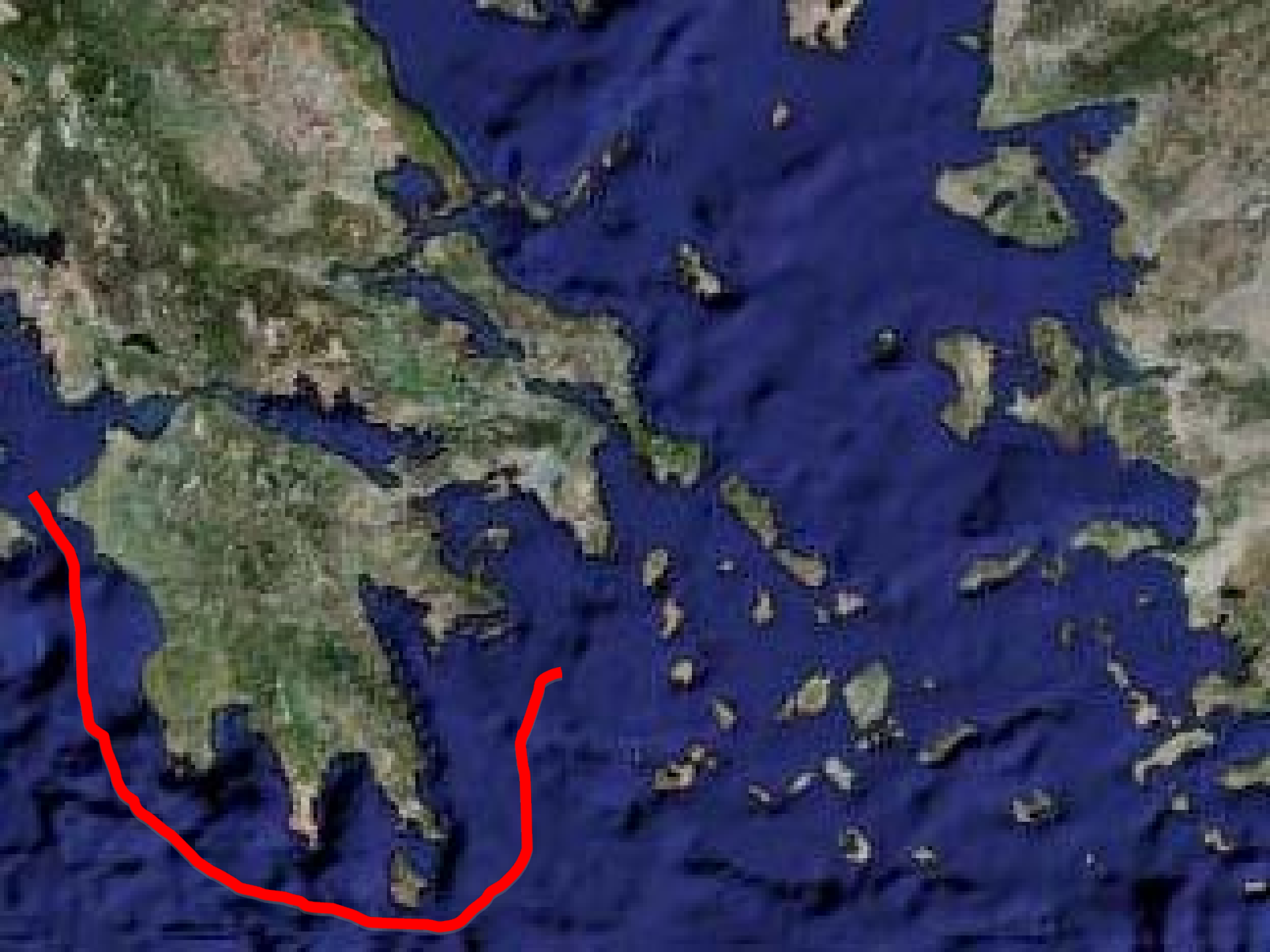
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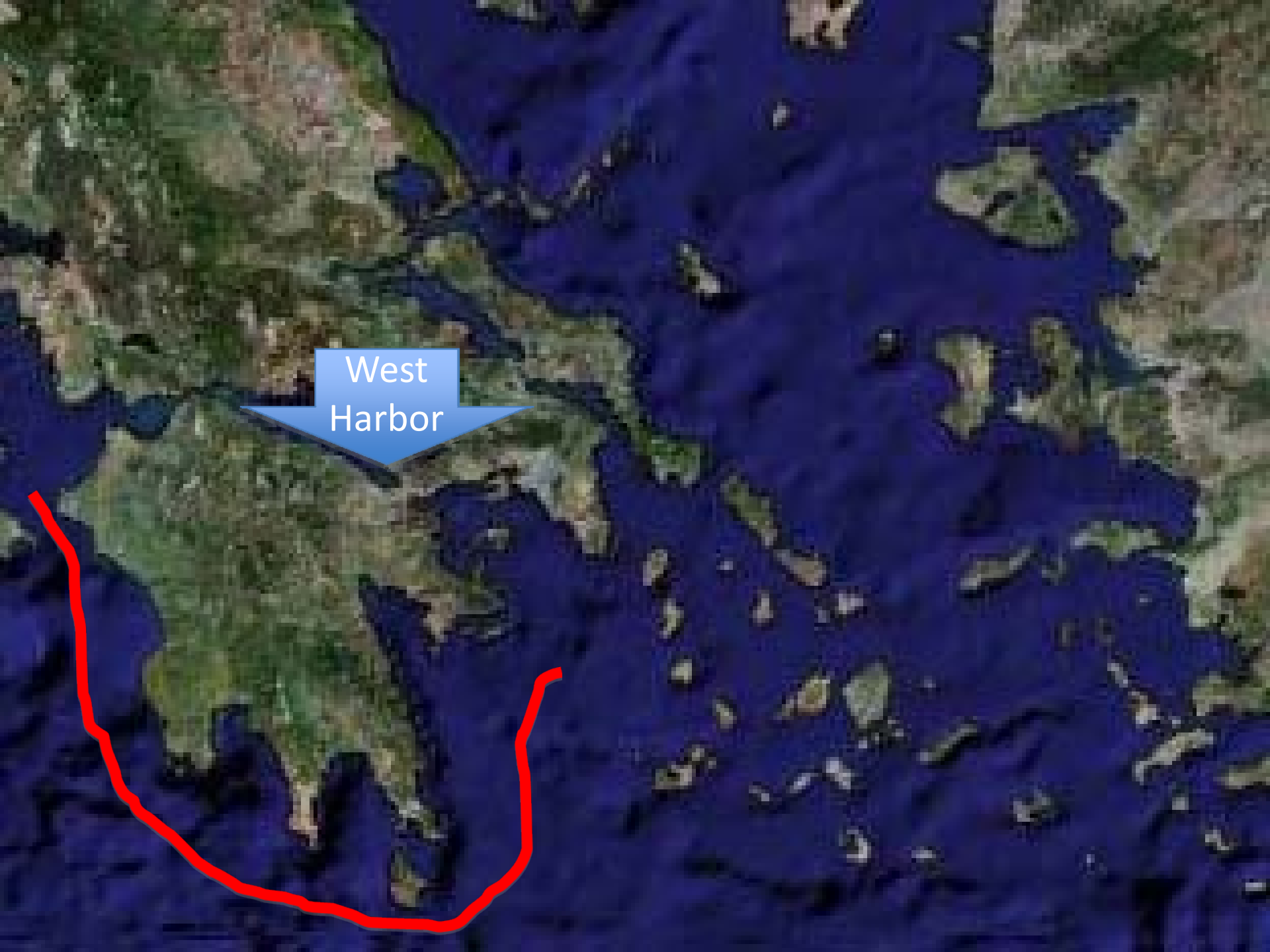




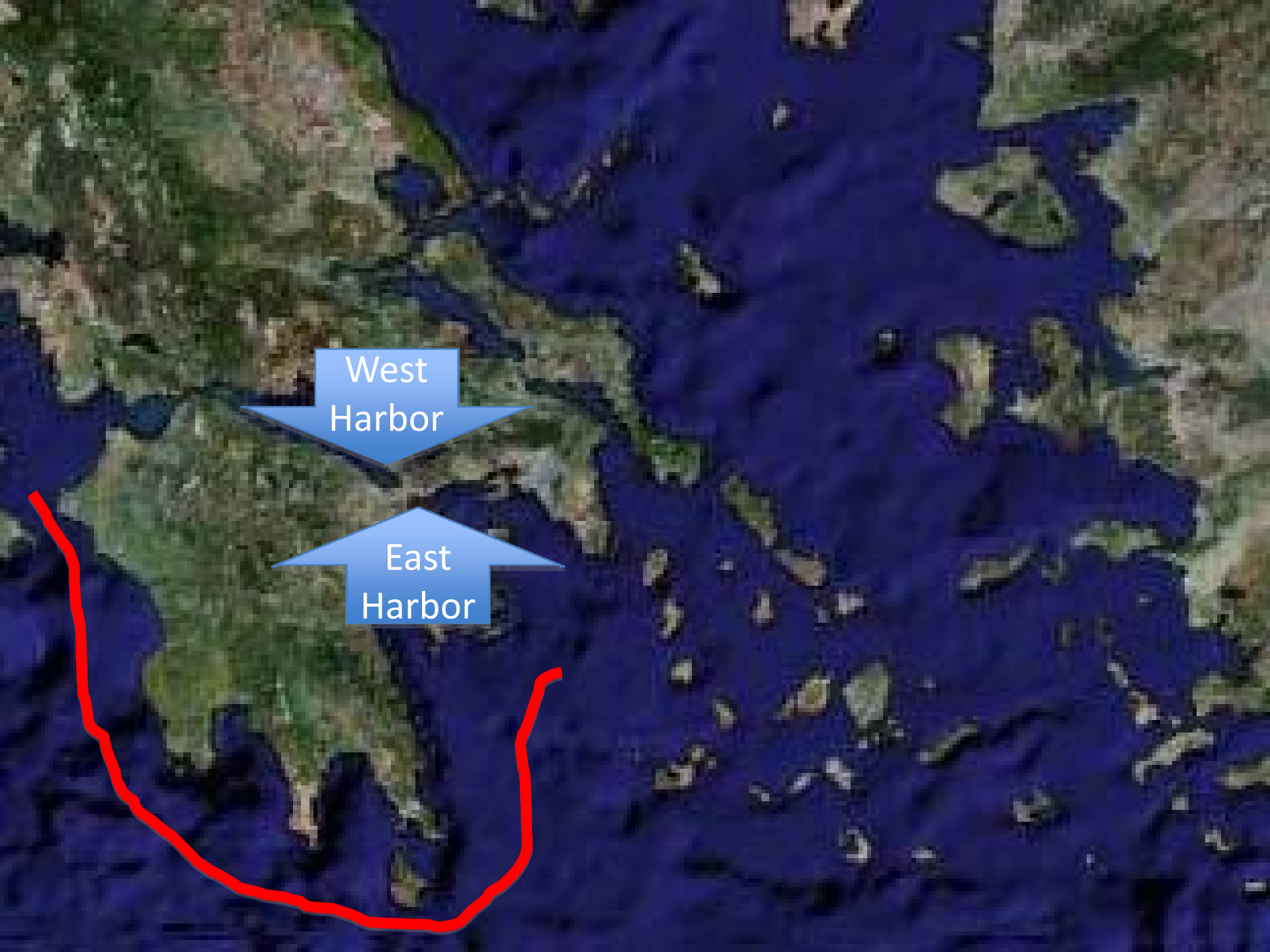
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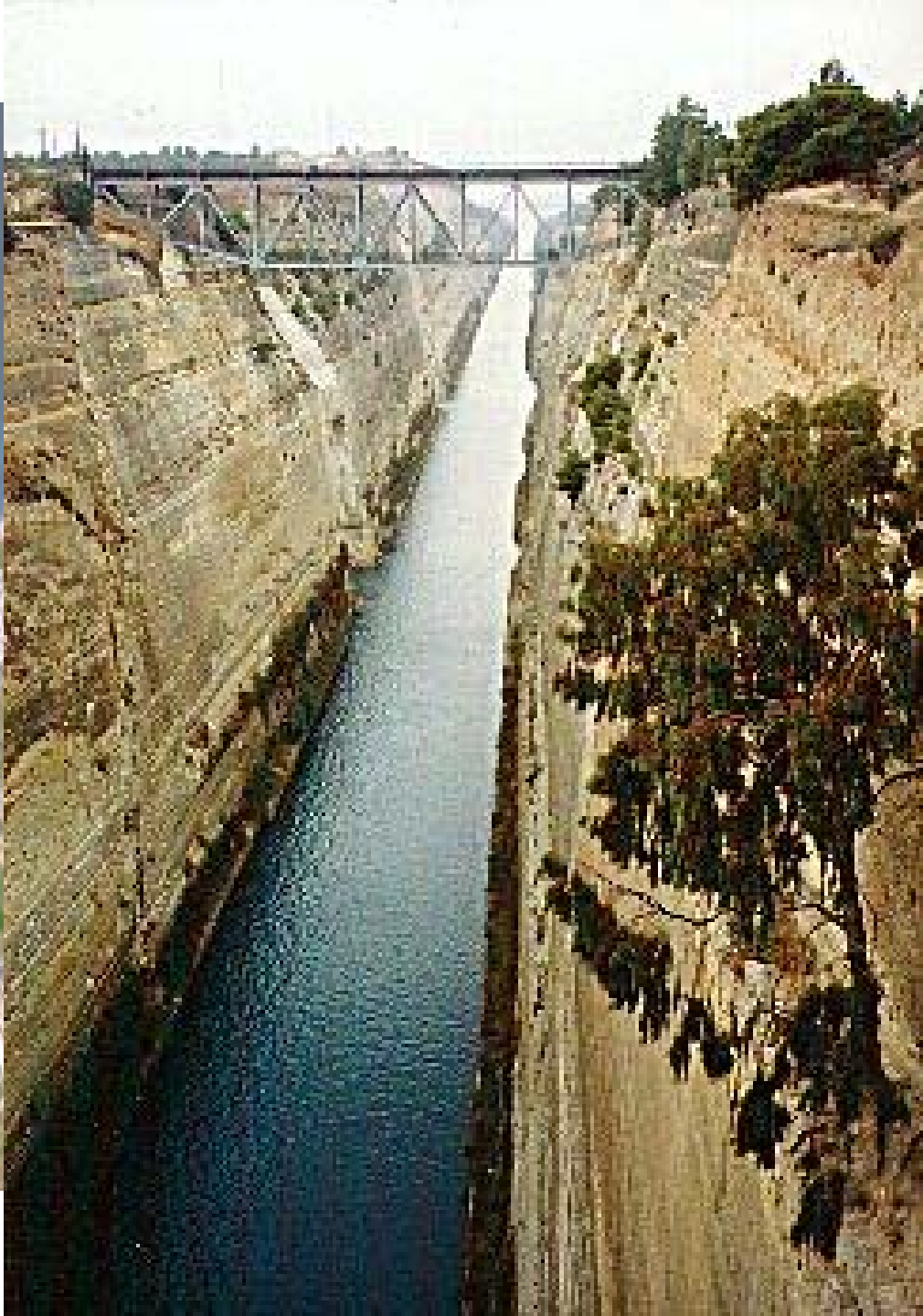


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Corinth was a sailor town



No, Corinth was a “rough” sailor town



Corinth was full of Temples, especially famous for one to Aphrodite



Corinth was full with Temple “Courtesans”



Corinth held the Isthmian Games



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“Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it! Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable”
(1 Cor. 9:24-25)

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Claudius ejected Jews from Rome because “the Jews constantly made disturbances at the instigation of Chrestus”
- Seutonias

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“Whoever derives worldly benefit from teachings of Torah takes his life out of this world” (*Mishnah*)

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Western Text

“And *entering into* the synagogue each Sabbath day, he held a discussion, *inserting the name of the Lord Jesus*, and persuaded *not only Jews but also* Greeks.”

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“I resolved to know nothing among you except Christ crucified!”

We have conversions of Gaius Titius Justus,
Cripus and others



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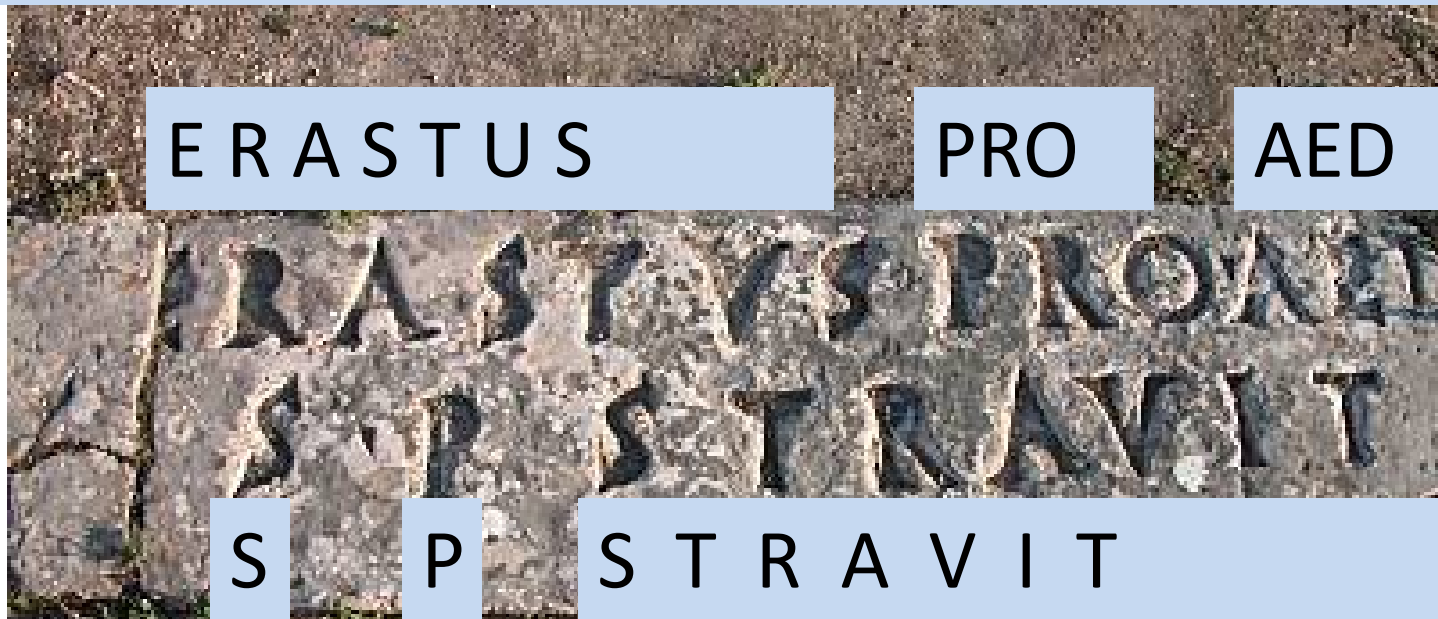
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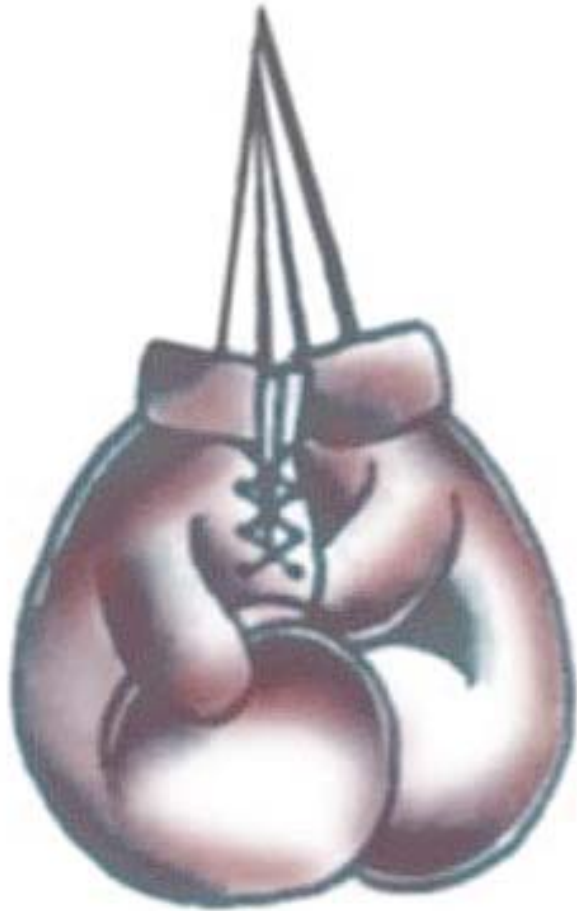


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“Gaius, who is host to me and to the whole church, greets you. **Erastus, the city treasurer**, and our brother Quartus, greet you.” (Rom. 16:23)



God assures Paul
“not to fear” he
“would not be
attacked.”

Paul stays in Corinth 1
½ years



Paul is called
before Gallio and
the shoe is on the
other foot!

Gallio presided from the *bema* (judgment seat)



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“For we must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.” (2 Cor. 5:10)

Nest week:
Read 1 and 2 Thessalonians!

Points for Home: Reliability of Luke



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“Continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.” (2 Tim. 3:15)

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The Lord “is a shield to those who walk in integrity, guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints” (Pro. 2:8)