

Acts 23:33

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Who, when they came to Caesarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him.

Analysis

The formal delivery of both Paul and the letter to Felix follows proper Roman administrative procedure. The governor's receipt of Paul established him under Roman legal protection, removing him from Jewish jurisdiction. This transfer represented a crucial shift in Paul's situation - from religious to civil authority, from mob violence to legal process.

Historical Context

Felix's governorship (AD 52-60) was marked by corruption and brutal suppression of Jewish unrest. However, his commitment to Roman legal procedures would work in Paul's favor despite his character flaws.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How do you trust God's providence when authority shifts from one system to another?

2. What does this teach about how God uses even corrupt officials when they follow just procedures?

Interlinear Text

οἵτινες	εἰσελθόντες	εἰς	τὴν	Καيسάρειαν	καὶ	ἀναδόντες
Who	when they came	to	Caesarea	also	delivered	
G3748	G1525	G1519	G3588	G2542	G2532	G325
τὴν	ἐπιστολὴν	τῷ	ἡγεμόνι	παρέστησαν	καὶ	τὸν
the epistle	to the governor	presented	also			
G3588	G1992	G3588	G2232	G3936	G2532	G3588
Παῦλον	αὐτῷ					
Paul	before him					
G3972	G846					

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