

Acts 24:20

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

'Or else let these same here say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood before the council.' Paul challenged his accusers to specify actual offenses from the Sanhedrin trial. Their inability to cite specific crimes exposed the accusation's emptiness.

Historical Context

The Sanhedrin trial (Acts 23) had produced no criminal verdict. Paul's challenge forced his accusers to admit they had no legal case.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does demanding specific evidence expose false accusations?
2. What does Paul's defense strategy teach about responding to charges?

Interlinear Text

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| ἢ | αὐτοὶ | οὗτοι | εἰπάτωσαν | εἰ | τί | εὔρον | ἐν |
| Or else | G846 | these same | here say | G1487 | G5100 | they have found | in |
| G2228 | | G3778 | G2036 | | | G2147 | G1722 |
| ἐμοὶ | ἀδίκημα | στάντος | μου | ἐπὶ | τοῦ | συνεδρίου | |
| me | evil doing | stood | while I | before | G3588 | the council | |
| G1698 | G92 | G2476 | G3450 | G1909 | | G4892 | |

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