

# Acts 24:21

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.

## Analysis

'Except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.' Paul reduced the entire case to the resurrection doctrine. This theological dispute was not criminal matter for Roman courts.

## Historical Context

By framing the accusation as theological dispute about resurrection, Paul distinguished religious controversy from criminal charges. Felix had no jurisdiction over Jewish doctrine.

## Related Passages

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**James 2:17** — Faith and works

## Study Questions

1. How did Paul's focus on resurrection serve his defense?
2. What does this teach about distinguishing theological dispute from criminal accusation?

## Interlinear Text

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ἢ	Περὶ	μιᾶς	ταύτης	φωνῆς	ἥς	ἔκραξα	έστώς	ἐν
Except	it be for	G1520	G3778	voice	that	I cried	standing	among
G2228	G4012			G5456	G3739	G2896	G2476	G1722
αὐτοῖς	ὅτι	Περὶ	ἀναστάσεως	νεκρῶν	ἐγὼ			
them	Touching	it be for	the resurrection	of the dead	I			
G846	G3754	G4012	G386	G3498	G1473			
κρίνομαι		σήμερον	ὑφ' ὧμῶν					
am called in question		this day	by you					
G2919		G4594	G5259	G5216				

## Additional Cross-References

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**Acts 23:6** (Resurrection): But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question.

**Acts 28:20** (Parallel theme): For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see you, and to speak with you: because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.

**Acts 4:2** (Resurrection): Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.