

2006-07 BSP#9 Group Time Discussion

(A) Questions on the Text (Suggested time: 10 minutes)

1. Read Acts 24:24-25 and the related footnotes in either your bible or ICSB (See Go bible). Who was Drusilla, and what was her relationship with Felix? Why did Felix become alarmed when Paul spoke about the Christian message?
2. Read Acts 25:1-3, 10-11. What were Paul's rights of appeal as a Roman citizen? Why did he decide to exercise it here?

(B) Session Review (Suggested time: 25 minutes)

Review today's session outline for the Navigator's Time, particularly the summary (item E). What is the most important point you learned from today's session? Why? Are there any issues discussed in today's Navigator's Time that you don't understand? Discuss them with your group members and see if they can help you. If satisfactory answers are not readily available, put the issues or questions on paper. Either bring them up during Q&A or submit them to the navigator for post-session response.

(C) Optional Application Question (Suggestion: Do this question only if your group chooses not to do (B) above.)

In Acts 25 and 26, we see how Festus and Agrippa decided not to obey God when the former was prompted by the Holy Spirit to repent and the latter to accept the Gospel of Jesus. Unlike Festus and Agrippa, St. Paul chose to obey God at all times (Acts 26:19). Though God has given you free will, why does it make sense to obey him? How can obedience to God enhance one's freedom (cf. John 8:31-32)?