## YES or NO

| 1.         | It is possible for one to have a good conscience and be wrong.  |
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| 2.         | Was Paul both right and wrong in calling Ananias a whited wall?   |
| 3.         | Were the Pharisees and Sadducees in agreement on fundamental truths?  |
| 4.         | Was the <i>Ananias</i> who smote Paul the same who baptized him? (Acts 22:16)   |
| 5.         | Had God comforted Paul in trying times before this? (18:9-10)   |
| 6.         | Were the Jews really ready to commit cold-blooded murder?   |
| 7.         | Was Paul's sister's son a bright lad?   |
| 8.         | Was Claudius Lysias a kind and considerate man?   |
| 9.         | Do you find any untruth in Lysias' letter to Felix?   |
| 10.        | Did the foot-soldiers turn back before it was safe to do so?  |
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## STUDIES IN ACTS 23:1-35

|     | Paul before the Council: Plot to Slay Him: Claudius send him to Felix   |
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| 1.  | What was Paul's opening remark to the council?  |
|     | Why did he call Ananias a "whited (whitewashed) wall"?  |
| 2.  | Why did Paul apologize for this remark?   |
| 3.  | Why were Pharisees and Sadducees divided? Why did soldiers deliver Paul? What did God say?  |
| 4.  | What curse did Jews take on themselves? How did they propose to execute their plot?   |
| 5.  | How did Paul learn of the conspiracy? How did the captain treat him? How did the captain  |
| 6.  | What charge did the captain give the boy? What did the captain plan to do with Paul? What time?   |
| 7.  | How many soldiers Spearmen<br>Horsemen accompanied Paul? What provisions<br>were made for Paul for the trip? Where did<br>some turn back? Who went all the way? |
| 8.  | Who was the chief captain? Who was Felix?   |
| 9.  | Give gist of Lysias' letter to Felix:   |
| 10. | What question did Felix ask Paul? When would he hear Paul's case? Where was Paul kept?  |

## **SELECT CORRECT ANSWER(S)**

| 1.  | Paul said he had: 1) never sinned; 2) always been right; 3) lived in good conscience. Ananias ordered him: 4) smitten; 5) slain; 6) examined. |
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| 2.  | It was contrary to the law to: 1) smite one uncondemned;<br>2) revile the high priest; 3) speak evil of rulers of God's people.               |
| 3.  | Paul was a: 1) Pharisee; 2) son of a Pharisee; 3) teacher of the resurrection.  |
| 4.  | Sadducees denied: 1) the resurrection; 2) angels; 3) spirits.   |
| 5.  | Jews: 1) were divided; 2) endangered Paul; 3) were forced to let him go.  |
| 6.  | God said: 1) be of good cheer; 2) you testified here; 3) do so in Rome.   |
| 7.  | Over: 1) twenty; 2) forty; 3) eighty; Jews conspired to: 4) defend; 5) murder; 6) hear; Paul.   |
| 8.  | 1) Paul; 2) Paul's nephew; 3) Paul's sister; heard of the plot.   |
| 9.  | The captain: 1) refused; 2) cursed; 3) received gently; Paul's nephew.  |
| 10. | The captain planned to: 1) defeat; 2) appease; 3) assist; the Jews.   |
| 11. | 1) <u>470;</u> 2) <u>200;</u> 3) <u>70;</u> men accompanied Paul to Antipatris.   |
| 12. | 1) 200; 2) 100; 3) 70; went on with Paul to Caesarea.   |
| 13. | Claudius: 1) rescued Paul; 2) learned he was a Roman; 3) heard him accused about the law; 4) saw nothing wrong in him; 5) sent him to Felix.  |
| 14. | Priests and elders: 1) opposed; 2) approved; 3) exposed; the Jew's plot.  |
| 15. | Felix: 1) read Lysias' letter; 2) learned Paul was from Rome; 3) promised to hear Paul; 4) kept Paul in Herod's judgment hall.                |

(Suggestion: Write the verse number that provides your answer in the margin.)

## **MATCH CORRECTLY (Group 1)**

| 1.   | Paul   | Denied the resurrection  |  |  |  |
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| 2.   | Ananias                                      | Cheered Paul   |  |  |  |
| 3.   | Pharisees                                    | Under a curse  |  |  |  |
| 4.   | Sadducees                                    | Had a good conscience  |  |  |  |
| 5.   | Force  | Paul to go there   |  |  |  |
| 6.   | God  | Paul kept there  |  |  |  |
| 7.   | Rome   | Defended Paul  |  |  |  |
| 8.   | Forty Jews                                   | Approved conspiracy  |  |  |  |
| 9.   | Castle                                       | A whited (whitewashed) wall  |  |  |  |
| 10.  | Priests                                      | Used to rescue Paul  |  |  |  |
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| MATCH CORRECTLY (Group 2)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | MAT  | CCH CORRECTLY (Group 2)  |  |  |  |
| 1.   | MAT<br>Nephew                                | CCH CORRECTLY (Group 2) Chief captain  |  |  |  |
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| 2.   | Nephew                                       | Chief captain  |  |  |  |
| 2.   | Nephew<br>Paul<br>Centurion                  | Chief captainPaul provided one   |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>3.</li> </ol>   | Nephew<br>Paul<br>Centurion                  | Chief captainPaul provided oneSoldiers turned back   |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>3.</li> <li>4.</li> </ol>                                     | Nephew<br>Paul<br>Centurion<br>470           | Chief captainPaul provided oneSoldiers turned backGovernor of Judea  |  |  |  |
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