8—24, THE ACTS.   
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 ing him: and we, or ever he come near, are ready to kill   
 him, 16 And when Paul’s sister’s son heard of their lying   
 in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.   
 7 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto him, and   
 said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain: for he   
   
   
 hath a certain thing to tell him. 18So he took him, and   
 brought him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the   
 prisoner called me unto him, and prayed me to bring this   
 young man unto thee, who hath something to say unto   
   
   
 thee. 19 Then the chief captain took him by the hand,   
 and went with him aside privately, and asked him, What   
 is that thou hast t6 tell me? 20 And he said, °The Jews"!   
   
 have agreed to desire thee that thou wouldest bring down   
 Paul to morrow into the council, as though \* ¢hey would   
 enquire somewhat of him more perfectly. 21 But do not   
   
 thou yield unto them: for there lie in wait for him of   
 them more than forty men, which have bound themselves   
 with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they   
 have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for ¥a   
   
 promise from thee. 22 So the chief captain then let the   
 young man depart, and charged him, See thou tell no man   
   
 that thou hast shewed these things to me. 23 And he   
 called unto him two centurions, saying, Make ready two   
 hundred soldiers to go to Cwsarea, and horsemen three-   
 score and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third   
 hour of the night; 2#and provide them beasts, that they   
 may set Paul on, and bring him safe unto Felix the   
   
   
 X read, with most of our oldest authorities, thou wouldest.   
 Y render, the.   
   
 That the high priest belonged to this sect, for, not “a promise,’ as A. V., but the   
 cannot be inferred with any accuracy. promise (to that effect). 23. two cen-   
 15. determine with greater ac- turions] literally, two centurions.   
 euracy] or perhaps, neglecting the com- The soldiers here spoken of were the   
 parative sense, to determine accurately ordinary heavy-armed legionary soldiers:   
 (not as A. V. ‘enquire something more per- distinguished below from the horsemen and   
 Sfectly’). 16.] It is quite uncertain spearmen. spearmen] ‘The word thus   
 whether Paul’s sister’s son lived in Jeru- rendered has néver been satisfactorily ex-   
 salem, or had accompanied him thither. plained: but spearmen seems to represent   
 The us of ch. xx. 5, will more than it more nearly than any other term. Sce   
 merely Luke. But from his knowledge in my Greck Test. 24. bring bim   
 of the plot, which presupposes other ac- safe] The full meaning of the word is,   
 quaintances than he would have been likely escort him safe the whole way.   
 to make if he had come with St. Paul, [ Felix] Fenix was a freedman of the   
 should suppose him to have been domiciled Emperor Claudius: Suidas and Zonaras   
 at Jerusalem, possibly under instruction, gave him the pranomen of Claudius, but   
 as was formerly Paul himself, and thus Tacitus calls hin Anfonius Felix, perhaps   
 likely, in the schools, to have heard the from Antonia, the mother of Claudius, as   
 scheine spoken of. 21.} They waited le was brother of Pallas, who was a freed-