1 The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

4 And, being assembled together with them. commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

5 For John 6 When they therefore truly baptized with were come water; but ye together, they asked of shall be baptized with him, saying, the Holy Lord, wilt Ghost not thou at this time restore many days hence. again the kingdom to Israel?

Chapter 1

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Acts





7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his

own power.

8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

12 Then
returned they
unto
Jerusalem
from the
mount called
Olivet, which
is from
Jerusalem a
sabbath day's
journey.

13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James.

14 These all	15 And in	16 Men and	17 For he was	18 Now this	19 And it was	20 For it is	21 Wherefore	22 Beginning
continued	those days	brethren, this	numbered	man	known unto	written in the	of these men	from the
with one	Peter stood	scripture	with us, and	purchased a	all the	book of	which have	baptism of
accord in	up in the	must needs	had obtained	field with the	dwellers at	Psalms, Let	companied	John, unto
prayer and	midst of the	have been	part of this	reward of	Jerusalem;	his habitation	with us all	that same
supplication,	disciples, and	fulfilled,	ministry.	iniquity; and	insomuch as	be desolate,	the time that	day that he
with the	said, (the	which the		falling	that field is	and let no	the Lord	was taken up
women, and	number of	Holy Ghost		headlong, he	called in their	man dwell	Jesus went in	from us, must
Mary the	names	by the mouth		burst asunder	proper	therein: and	and out	one be
mother of	together were	of David		in the midst,	tongue,	his bishoprick	among us,	ordained to
Jesus, and	about an	spake before		and all his	Aceldama,	let another		be a witness
with his	hundred and	concerning		bowels	that is to say,	take.		with us of his
brethren.	twenty,)	Judas, which		gushed out.	The field of			resurrection.
		was guide to			blood.			
		them that						

23 And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.

24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast

chosen,

25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

took Jesus.

26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

Chapter 2

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4 And they with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were all filled were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. together, and

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own

language.

7 And they were all amazed and marvelled. saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue. wherein we were born?

9 Parthians, and Medes, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,

10 Phrygia, and Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and 12 And they Arabians, we and Elamites, Pamphylia, in do hear them amazed, and speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. this?

were all were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth

13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto but the third them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:

15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is hour of the day.

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream

dreams:

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and notable day vapour of of the Lord smoke: come:

20 The sun 21 And it shall be shall come to turned into pass, that darkness, and whosoever the moon shall call on into blood. the name of before the the Lord shall great and be saved.

22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and taken, and by wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

23 Him, 24 Whom being God hath delivered by raised up, the having loosed determinate the pains of counsel and death: foreknowlbecause it edge of God, was not ve have possible that he should be wicked hands holden of it. have crucified

and slain:

25 For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:

26 Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell. neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

28 Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

29 Men and 30 Therefore brethren, let being a me freely prophet, and knowing that speak unto God had you of the patriarch sworn with David, that an oath to he is both him, that of dead and the fruit of buried, and his loins. his sepulchre according to is with us the flesh, he unto this day. would raise up Christ to sit on his

throne:

31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

34 For David is not ascended into thy footstool. the heavens: but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

35 Until I make thy foes

36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made the same Jesus, whom ye have crucified. both Lord and Christ.

37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

38 Then 39 For the Peter said promise is unto them, unto you, and Repent, and to your children, and be baptized every one of to all that are you in the afar off, even name of Jesus as many as Christ for the the LORD remission of our God shall sins, and ve call. shall receive the gift of the

Holy Ghost.

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. 44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common; 45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. 46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

47 Praising
God, and
having favour
with all the
people. And
the Lord
added to the
church daily
such as
should be
saved.

1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried. whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

3 Who seeing 4
Peter and fa
John about
to go into the
temple asked
an alms. L

4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

Chapter 3

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8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. 9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:

10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.

11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

12 And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.

14 But ye denied the Holy One and of Jacob, and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

15 And killed 16 And his the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers.

18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.

19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out. when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.

20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

21 Whom the 22 For Moses heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will the Lord your not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

24 Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

26 Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

1 And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,

2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.

3 And they laid hands on many of them them, and put them in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

4 Howbeit which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.

5 And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,

6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.

Chapter 4

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7 And when 8 Then Peter, they had set filled with them in the the Holy midst, they Ghost, said unto them, asked, By what power, Ye rulers of or by what the people, name, have and elders of ye done this? Israel,

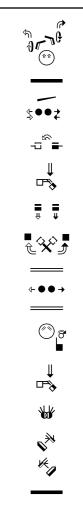
9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified. whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

12 Neither is there



13 Now when 15 But when 19 But Peter 20 For we 21 So when 14 And 16 Saying, 17 But that 18 And they they saw the beholding the and John cannot but they had they had What shall it spread no called them, boldness of man which commanded we do to further answered and speak the further and Peter and these men? things which threatened was healed them to go among the commanded said unto John, and aside out of for that people, let us them, we have seen them, they standing with them not to perceived them, they the council, indeed a straitly speak at all Whether it and heard. let them go, be right in that they could say they notable threaten nor teach in finding were nothing conferred miracle hath them, that the name of the sight of nothing how unlearned God to against it. among been done by they speak Jesus. they might and ignorant themselves. them is henceforth to hearken unto punish them, men, they manifest to no man in you more because of marvelled; all them that this name. than unto the people: and they took dwell in for all men God, judge knowledge of Jerusalem; glorified God ye. them, that and we for that which was they had cannot deny been with it. done. Jesus.

22 For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.

23 And being 24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven. and earth. and the sea, and all that in them is:

25 Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

26 The kings of the earth the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

27 For of a truth against stood up, and thy holy child thy hand and Jesus, whom thou hast anointed. both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,

28 For to do whatsoever thy counsel determined before to be done.

29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that wonders may with all boldness they may speak

thy word,

30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

34 Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that

were sold,

35 And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.

36 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation.) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus,

37 Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Chapter 5



1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,

2 And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet. +Ы





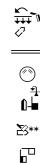


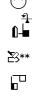
























3 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?

4 Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

5 And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.

6 And the young men him up, and carried him out, and buried him.

7 And it was about the arose, wound space of three unto her, Tell How is it that hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.

8 And Peter answered me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

9 Then Peter said unto her, ve have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall

> carry thee out.

10 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying her forth, buried her by her

husband.

11 And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

13 And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them.

14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)

15 Insomuch that they brought forth multitude out the sick into the streets. and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

16 There came also a of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

17 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation,

18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,

20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

21 And when they heard that, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.

22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned and told,

23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief men whom ye priests heard these things, they doubted in the temple, of them whereunto this would grow.

25 Then came one and the captain told them, with the saying, officers, and Behold, the brought them without put in prison violence: for are standing they feared the people, and teaching lest they the people. should have been stoned.

26 Then went 27 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them.

28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

29 Then 30 The God Peter and the of our fathers other apostles raised up answered and Jesus, whom said, We ve slew and ought to obey hanged on a God rather tree. than men.

31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

32 And we are his witnesses of these things: and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

33 When they heard that, they were cut to the heart, and took counsel to slay them.

34 Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space;

35 And said unto them, Ye men of rose up Israel, take heed to vourselves what ye intend to do whom a as touching these men. joined who was were and brought

36 For before these days Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to number of men, about four hundred, themselves: slain; and all, as many as obeyed him, scattered,

to nought.

37 After this 38 And now I man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after him: he also perished; and all, even as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.

39 But if it say unto you, be of God, ye Refrain from cannot these men, overthrow it; and let them lest haply ve alone: for if be found this counsel even to fight against God. or this work be of men, it will come to nought:

40 And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles. and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

41 And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.

1 And in

2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom. whom we may appoint over this business.

4 But we will

give ourselves

continually to

prayer, and

to the

ministry of

the word.

5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of

Antioch:

6 Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them.

Chapter 6

7 And the 8 And word of God Stephen, full increased; of faith and and the power, did great wonders number of the disciples and miracles multiplied in among the Jerusalem people. greatly; and a company of the priests

great

were obedient

to the faith.

9 Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.

10 And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

11 Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God.

12 And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council,

13 And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:

14 For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us.

15 And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

1 Then said the high priest, Are these things so?

2 And he said, Men, brethren, and fathers. hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,

3 And said unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.

4 Then came he out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ve now dwell.

5 And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as yet he had no child.

6 And God 7 And the spake on this nation to wise, That whom they his seed shall be in bondage will should sojourn in a I judge, said strange land; God: and and that they after that should bring shall they them into come forth. bondage, and and serve me entreat them in this place. evil four

hundred

years.

Chapter 7

8 And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs.

9 And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,

10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and fathers found he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.

11 Now there 12 But when came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction: and our no sustenance.

Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.

13 And at the second time Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.

14 Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, and all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls.

15 So Jacob 16 And were went down carried over into Sychem, into Egypt, and died, he, and laid in and our the sepulchre fathers. that Abraham bought for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor the father of Sychem.

17 But when the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt,

18 Till 19 The same another king dealt subtilly arose, which with our kindred, and knew not Joseph. evil entreated our fathers, so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not

live.

20 In which time Moses was born, and was exceeding fair, and nourished up in his father's house three months:

21 And when
he was cast
out,
Pharaoh's
daughter
took him up,
and
nourished
him for her
own son.

22 And
Moses was
learned in all
the wisdom
of the
Egyptians,
and was
mighty in
words and in
deeds.

23 And when 24 And seeing he was full one of them forty years suffer wrong, old, it came he defended into his heart him, and to visit his avenged him brethren the that was children of oppressed, Israel. and smote the Egyptian:

25 For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would deliver them: but they understood not.

26 And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying, Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another?

27 But he that did his neighbour wrong thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us?

28 Wilt thou is kill me, as is thou diddest the Egyptian yesterday?

29 Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he begat two sons. 30 And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sina an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.

31 When
Moses saw it,
he wondered
at the sight:
and as he
drew near to
behold it, the
voice of the
LORD came
unto him,

32 Saying, I 33 am the God of thy had fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold.

33 Then said 34 I have the Lord to seen, I have him, Put off seen the thy shoes affliction of from thy feet: my people for the place which is in where thou Egypt, and I standest is have heard holy ground. their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt.

35 This they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same did God send to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush.

36 He Moses whom brought them out, after that he had shewed wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the Red sea. and in the wilderness forty years.

37 This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear.

38 This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him in the mount Sina, and with our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto

us:

39 To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust him from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt,

40 Saying unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for as for this Moses, which brought us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

41 And they 42 Then God made a calf turned, and in those days, gave them up and offered to worship sacrifice unto the host of the idol, and heaven; as it rejoiced in is written in the works of the book of their own the prophets, hands. O ve house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices by the space of forty years in

> the wilderness?

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen.

45 Which also our fathers that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David;

46 Who found favour before God. and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.

47 But Solomon built him an High dwelleth house.

48 Howbeit the most not in temples made with hands: as saith the prophet,

49 Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ve build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?

50 Hath not 51 Ye my hand stiffnecked made all and uncirthese things? cumcised in heart and ears, ve do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers

52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the did, so do ye. coming of the Just One: of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers:

53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept it.

54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. 55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. 57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. 59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. 60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Chapter 8

1 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

2 And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him. 3 As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison. 4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.

5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

8 And there was great joy in that city.

9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one:

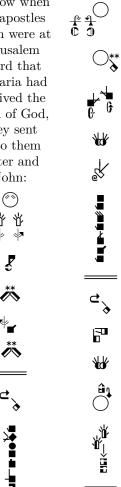
10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

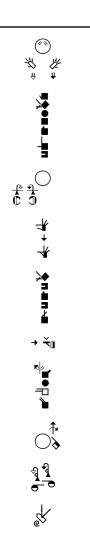
11 And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

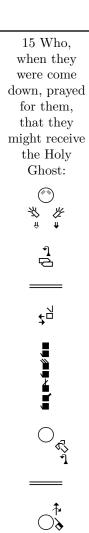
12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

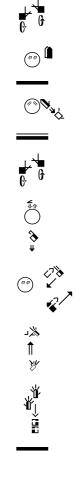
13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

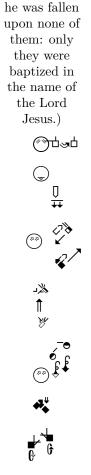
14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John:





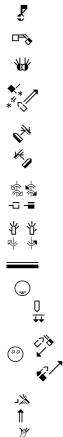


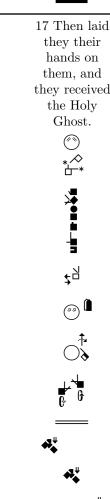


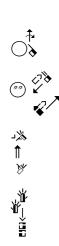


16 (For as yet









18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money,

19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.

20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased

with money.

21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.

24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the LORD for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.





25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

30 And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?









31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

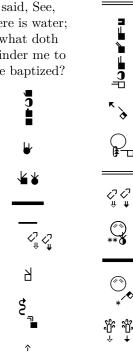
32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

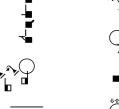
36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?



37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.









38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities. till he came to Caesarea.

1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

Chapter 9

2 And desired of him letters journeyed, he to Damascus came near Damascus: synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

4 And he fell to the earth, came near and heard a Damascus: voice saving and suddenly unto him, there shined Saul, Saul, round about why him a light persecutest from heaven: thou me?

5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him. Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

7 And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

8 And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus.

9 And he was 10 And there three days was a certain without disciple at sight, and Damascus, neither did named eat nor drink. Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am

here, Lord.

11 And the
Lord said
unto him,
Arise, and go
into the
street which
is called
Straight, and
enquire in the
house of
Judas for one
called Saul,
of Tarsus:
for, behold,
he prayeth,

12 And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

13 Then
Ananias
answered,
Lord, I have
heard by
many of this
man, how
much evil he
hath done to
thy saints at
Jerusalem:

14 And here
he hath
authority
from the chief
priests to
bind all that
call on thy
name.

15 But the
Lord said
unto him, Go
thy way: for
he is a chosen
vessel unto
me, to bear
my name
before the
Gentiles, and
kings, and
the children
of Israel:

16 For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And 19 And when immediately he had there fell received from his eyes meat, he was as it had strengthened. Then was been scales: and he Saul certain received sight days with the disciples forthwith, which were at and arose. and was Damascus. baptized.

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

21 But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very

Christ.

23 And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:

24 But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.

25 Then the disciples took him by night, and let him down by the wall in a basket.

26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

27 But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of

Jesus.

28 And he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem.

29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but and sent him they went about to slay him.

30 Which when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Caesarea, forth to Tarsus.

31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

32 And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout all quarters, he came down also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda.

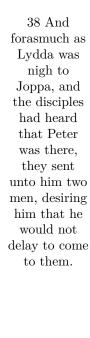
he found a certain man named Aeneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.

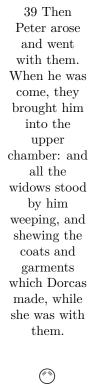
33 And there 34 And Peter said unto him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.

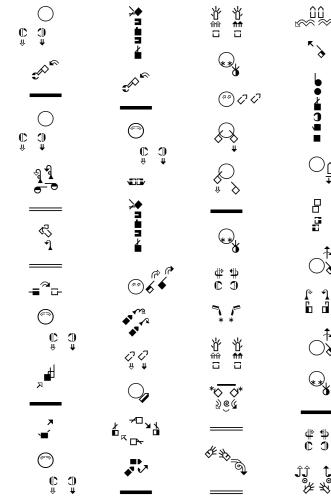
35 And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.

36 Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did.

37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber.







40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning him to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

41 And he gave her his hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive.

42 And it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord.

43 And it came to pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.

1 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band,

2 A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.

3 He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.

4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it. Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.

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5 And now
send men to
Joppa, and
call for one
Simon, whos
surname is
Peter:

- 6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell thee what thou oughtest servants, and to do.
 - 7 And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his household a devout soldier of them that

waited on him continually;

- 8 And when he had declared all these things unto them, to Joppa.
- 9 On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew he sent them nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:
- 10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance,
- 11 And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending upon him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners. and let down to the earth:
- 12 Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter: kill, and eat.

14 But Peter
said, Not so,
Lord; for I
have never
eaten any
thing that is
common or
unclean.

- 15 And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.
- 16 This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.
- 17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate,
- 18 And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.
- 19 While Peter thought on the vision, and get thee the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee.
- 20 Arise therefore, down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.
 - 21 Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am all the nation he whom ve seek: what is the cause wherefore ye are come?
- 22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and of good report among of the Jews. was warned from God by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee.

23 Then called he them in, and lodged them. And on the morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

24 And the morrow after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and he had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped him.

26 But Peter 27 And as he took him up, talked with saying, Stand him, he went up; I myself in, and found also am a many that man. were come together.

28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath

shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

29 Therefore came I unto you without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent for me?

30 AndCornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this the ninth ye have sent hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,

31 And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in hour; and at remembrance in the sight of God.

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of one Simon a tanner by the sea side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.

33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God. to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no persons:

35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is him.

36 The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by respecter of accepted with Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of from Galilee, all:)

37 That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea, and began after the baptism which John preached;

38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

39 And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:

40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;

41 Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.

42 And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.

43 To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.

Then answered Peter,

47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

1 And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.

2 And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him,

3 Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them. 4 But Peter rehearsed the matter from the beginning, and expounded it by order unto them, saying,

5 I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision,
A certain vessel descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me:

6 Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the

air.

7 And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat.

Chapter 11

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8 But I said, 9 But the 14 Who shall 16 Then 10 And this 11 And, 12 And the 13 And he 15 And as I Not so, Lord: tell thee remembered I voice was done behold, Spirit bade shewed us began to for nothing answered me words, the word of three times: immediately me go with how he had speak, the the Lord, common or again from and all were there were them. seen an angel whereby thou Holy Ghost unclean hath heaven, What and all thy how that he drawn up three men nothing in his house, fell on them, at any time God hath again into already come doubting. which stood house shall as on us at said, John entered into cleansed, that heaven. unto the Moreover and said unto be saved. the indeed my mouth. call not thou house where I these six him, Send beginning. baptized with common. was, sent brethren men to water; but ye from shall be accompanied Joppa, and Caesarea me, and we call for baptized with unto me. entered into Simon, whose the Holy Ghost. the man's surname is

house:

17 Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?

18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.

19 Now they which were scatteredabroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.

20 And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the LORD Jesus.

21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

22 Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.

Peter:

23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that and they sent with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.

24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.

25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul:

26 And when
he had found
him, he
brought him
unto Antioch.
And it came
to pass, that
a whole year
they
assembled
themselves
with the
church, and
taught much
people. And
the disciples
were called
Christians
first in
Antioch.

27 And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. 28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar.

29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the

brethren

which dwelt

in Judaea:

30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

1 Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the church.

2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.

Chapter 12

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3 And
because he
saw it pleased
the Jews, he
proceeded
further to
take Peter
also. (Then
were the days
of unleavened
bread.)

4 And when he had d apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

6 And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the prison.

7 And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up door kept the quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands.

8 And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto Peter on the him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

9 And he 10 When went out, and they were past the first followed him; and wist not and the that it was second ward, true which they came was done by unto the iron the angel; but gate that thought he leadeth unto saw a vision. the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and

> departed from him.

11 And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the LORD hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people forthwith the of the Jews. angel

12 And when
he had
considered
the thing, he
came to the
house of
Mary the
mother of
John, whose
surname was
Mark; where
many were
gathered
together
praying.

13 And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda.

she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.

14 And when 15 And they said unto her, Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, It is his angel.

16 But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished.

17 But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go shew these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.

18 Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, what was become of Peter.

19 And when 20 AndHerod had Herod was sought for highly him, and displeased found him with them of not, he Tyre and examined the Sidon: but keepers, and they came commanded with one that they accord to should be put him, and, to death. having made And he went Blastus the down from king's Judaea to chamberlain Caesarea, their friend, and there desired peace; abode. because their country was nourished by the king's

21 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them.

22 And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man.

23 And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

24 But the word of God grew and multiplied.

25 And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

1 Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

Chapter 13

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2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said. Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.

country.

3 And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

4 So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus.

5 And when they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews: and minister.

6 And when they had the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a they had also false prophet, for Barnabas John to their a Jew, whose and Saul, and name was Barjesus:

7 Which was 8 But Elymas 9 Then Saul, with the gone through deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a who called desired to hear the word of God.

the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood prudent man; them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith.

10 And said, (who also is O full of all called Paul,) subtilty and filled with all mischief, the Holy thou child of Ghost, set his the devil, eyes on him. thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of

the Lord?

11 And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.

12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

13 Now when 14 But when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.

from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.

the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, Ye men and brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.

they departed the reading of stood up, and of this people beckoning with his hand said, Men of Israel, and ve that fear God, give audience.

of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.

15 And after 16 Then Paul 17 The God 18 And about 19 And when 20 And after the time of he had forty years destroyed suffered he their manners in the land of in the Chanaan, he wilderness. divided their land to them by lot.

that he gave unto them seven nations judges about the space of four hundred and fifty vears, until Samuel the prophet.

21 And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.

22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave their testimony. and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

23 Of this man's seed hath God according to his promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:

24 When 25 And as John had John fulfilled first preached his course, he before his said, Whom coming the think ye that baptism of I am? I am repentance to not he. But, all the people behold, there of Israel. cometh one after me. whose shoes of his feet I am not worthy to

26 Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent.

27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him.

29 And when they had fulfilled all that was death in him, written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre.

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slain.

30 But God raised him from the dead:

31 And he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.

32 And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers,

33 God hath fulfilled the same unto us that he raised their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

34 And as concerning him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David.

loose.

he saith also in another psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

35 Wherefore 36 For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

37 But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption.

38 Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:

39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

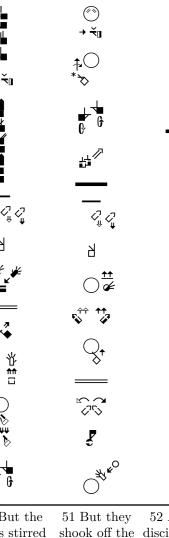
40 Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets;

41 Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

42 And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to them the next sabbath.

43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God. **3****





44 And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.

45 But when 46 Then Paul the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.

waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to vou: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.

47 For so the Jews saw and Barnabas hath the Lord commandedus, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that Lord: and as thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

49 And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coasts.

52 And the disciples were dust of their filled with feet against joy, and with them, and the Holy came unto Ghost. Iconium.

1 And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.

2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.

3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by

their hands.

4 But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles.

5 And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews with their rulers, to use them despitefully, and to stone them,

6 They were 7 And there ware of it, they and fled unto preached the Lystra and gospel. Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the

region that lieth round

about:

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8 And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet. being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:

9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

11 And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.

12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius. because he speaker.

13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and was the chief garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.

14 Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

16 Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.

18 And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

19 And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,

22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.



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24 And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

25 And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

26 And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.

27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

28 And there they abode long time with the disciples.

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1 And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, thev determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.

3 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things done with them.

5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command that God had them to keep the law of Moses.

6 And the apostles and elders came together for this matter.

7 And when there had been much disputing, to consider of Peter rose up, them witness, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

8 And God, 9 And put no which difference between us knoweth the hearts, bare and them, purifying giving them their hearts the Holy by faith. Ghost, even

as he did

unto us:

10 Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

11 But we believe that through the grace of the LORD Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

12 Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

13 And after their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brethren, hearken unto me:

14 Simeon 15 And to they had held hath declared this agree the how God at prophets; as the first did visit the it is written, Gentiles, to take out of

them a

people for his

name.

16 After this I will return, words of the and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the

ruins thereof, who doeth all and I will set it up:

17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles. upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, these things.

18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to God:

20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication. and from things strangled, and from blood.

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.

22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas and

Silas, chief

men among the brethren:

wrote letters by them after this manner: The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia.

23 And they 24 Forasmuch 25 It seemed as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls. saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such com-

mandment:

good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,

27 We have 26 Men that sent therefore have hazarded Judas and their lives for Silas, who the name of shall also tell our Lord you the same Jesus Christ. things by mouth.

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if delivered the ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they epistle:

31 Which when they had read, they rejoiced for the consolation.

32 And Judas 33 And after and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed them.

they had tarried there a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles.

34 Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.

35 Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

days after Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the LORD, and see how they do.

36 And some

37 And
Barnabas
determined
to take with
them John,
whose
surname was
Mark.

38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, who departed from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work.

39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed

unto Cyprus;

40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God.

41 And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.























1 Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek:

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2 Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.

3 Him would
Paul have to
go forth with
him; and
took and
circumcised
him because
of the Jews
which were in
those
quarters: for
they knew all
that his
father was a
Greek.

4 And as
they went
through the
cities, they
delivered
them the
decrees for to
keep, that
were ordained
of the
apostles and
elders which
were at
Jerusalem.

5 And so
were the
churches
established in
the faith, and
increased in
number daily.

6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia,







7 After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.

8 And they passing by Mysia came down to Troas.

9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.

10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.

11 Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis;

12 And from thence to Philippi, which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony: and we were in that city abiding

13 And on the sabbath we went out a river side, where prayer was wont to be made; and we sat down, and spake unto the certain days. women which resorted thither.

14 And a certain woman of the city by named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken

of Paul.

15 And when 16 And it she was came to pass, baptized, and as we went to her prayer, a household, certain she besought damsel us, saying, If possessed ye have with a spirit judged me to of divination be faithful to met us, which the Lord, brought her come into my masters much gain by house, and soothsaying: abide there. And she constrained

us.

17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.

18 And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.

19 And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas. and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers,

20 Andbrought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city,

21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans.

22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat them.

23 And when they had laid upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

24 Who, having many stripes received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed. and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

26 And 27 And the suddenly keeper of the there was a prison great awaking out earthquake, of his sleep, so that the and seeing foundations the prison of the prison doors open, were shaken: he drew out and his sword. immediately and would all the doors have killed were opened, himself, and every supposing one's bands that the were loosed. prisoners had been fled.

28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.

29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul

and Silas,

30 Andbrought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord. and to all that were in his house.

33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the serjeants, saying, Let those men go.

36 And the keeper of the prison told this saying to Paul, The magistrates have sent to let you go: now therefore depart, and go in peace.

37 But Paul said unto them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned. being Romans, and have cast us into prison; and now do they thrust us out privily? nay verily; but let them come themselves and fetch us out.

38 And the serjeants told these words unto the magistrates: and they feared, when they heard that they were Romans.

39 And they came and besought them, and brought them out, and desired them to depart out of the city.

40 And they went out of the prison, and entered into the house of Lydia: and when they had seen the brethren, thev comforted them, and departed.

1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

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2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures, 3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

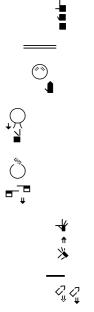
4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

5 But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the

people.

6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also; **→ ~**0

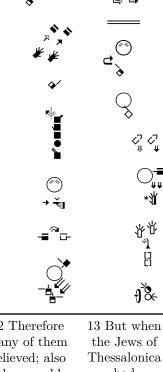




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7 Whom
Jason hath
received: and
these all do
contrary to
the decrees of
Caesar,
saying that
there is
another king,
one Jesus.

8 And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.

9 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go. 10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.

11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

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Thessalonica
had
knowledge
that the word
of God was
preached of
Paul at
Berea, they
came thither
also, and
stirred up the
people.

14 And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still.

15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed. thev departed.

16 Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry.

17 Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.

18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said. What will speakest, is? this babbler say? other

some, He

seemeth to be

a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.

19 And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou

20 For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean.

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Athenians

tell, or to

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new thing.)

22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and strangers and said, Ye which were there spent men of Athens, I their time in perceive that nothing else. in all things but either to ve are too superstitious.

23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

27 That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

28 For in him 29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained: whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

32 And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this matter.

33 So Paul departed from among them. 34 Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

1 After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;

2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them.

3 And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.

4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

5 And when
Silas and
Timotheus
were come
from
Macedonia,
Paul was
pressed in the
spirit, and
testified to
the Jews that
Jesus was
Christ.

6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean; from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.

7 And he departed thence, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

8 And
Crispus, the
chief ruler of
the
synagogue,
believed on
the Lord with
all his house;
and many of
the
Corinthians
hearing
believed, and
were
baptized.

9 Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

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10 For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

11 And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

12 And when Gallio was the deputy of Achaia, the Jews made insurrection with one accord against Paul, and brought him to the judgment seat,

13 Saying,
This fellow
persuadeth
men to
worship God
contrary to
the law.

14 And when 15 But if it Paul was now be a question about to of words and open his names, and of your law, mouth, Gallio said unto the look ye to it; Jews, If it for I will be were a matter no judge of of wrong or such matters. wicked lewdness, O ve Jews, reason would that I should bear with you:

17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat him before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.

16 And he

drave them

from the

judgment

seat.

18 And Paul after this tarried there vet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Svria. and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn his head in Cenchrea: for

he had a vow.

19 And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews.

them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.

20 When

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him to tarry

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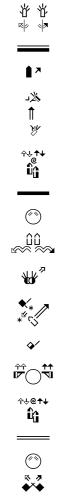
not;

21 But bade 22 And when he had landed at Caesarea. and gone up, and saluted the church, that cometh he went down to Antioch.

23 And after he had spent some time there, he departed, and went over all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples.

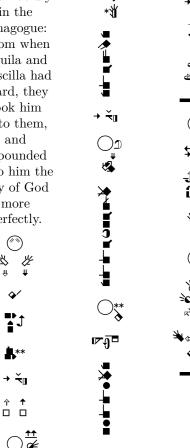
24 And a certain Jew named Apollos, born atAlexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus.

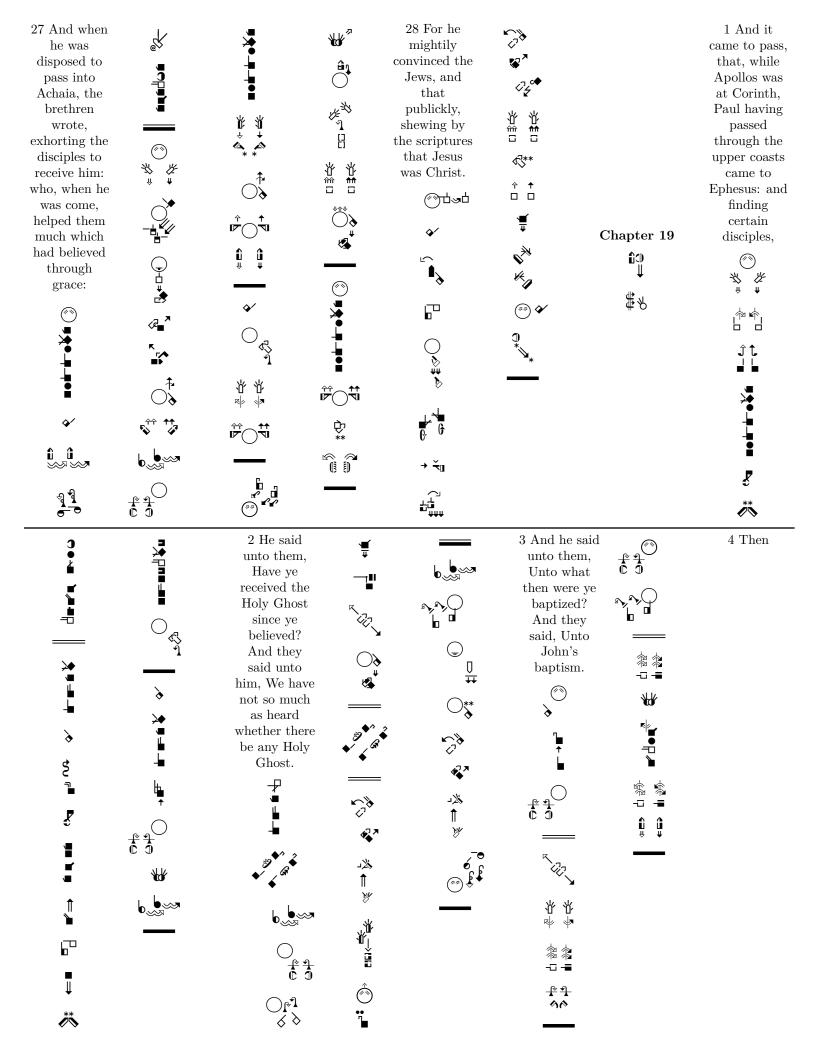
25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord. knowing only the baptism of John. Ĵţ ûû

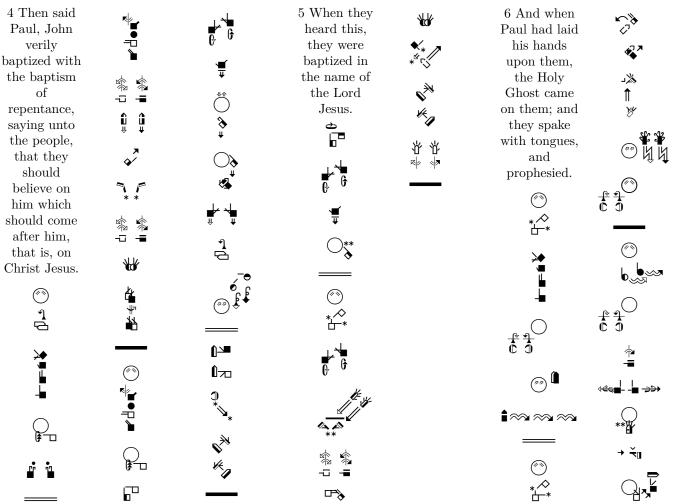


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26 And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.







7 And all the men were about twelve.



8 And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.

9 But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.

10 And this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.

11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: 12 So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

13 Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the LORD Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.

14 And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so.

15 And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?

16 And the the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed so that they fled out of that house naked and

wounded.

17 And this 18 And many man in whom was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, against them, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.

that believed came, and confessed. and shewed their deeds.

19 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of

silver.

20 Somightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

21 After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see

Rome.

22 So he sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him, Timotheus and Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.

23 And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.

24 For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen:

25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ve know that by this craft we have our wealth.

26 Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands:

27 So that not only this but also that the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshippeth.

28 And when they heard our craft is in these sayings, danger to be they were full set at nought; of wrath, and cried out. the temple of saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

29 And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre.

30 And when 31 And Paul would certain of the have entered chief of Asia, in unto the which were people, the his friends, disciples sent unto suffered him him, desiring him that he not. would not adventure himself into

32 Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused: and the more part knew not wherefore the theatre. they were come together.

33 And they drew Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.

34 But when 35 And when they knew that he was a had appeared Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

the townclerk the people, he said, Ye men of Ephesus, what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great goddess Diana, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?

36 Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, ye ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly.

37 For ye have brought hither these men, which are neither robbers of churches, nor have a matter yet blasphemers of your goddess.

38 Wherefore 39 But if ye if Demetrius, enquire any and the thing craftsmen concerning which are other with him, matters, it shall be against any determined in man, the law a lawful is open, and assembly. there are

deputies: let

them implead

one another.

40 For we are 41 And when in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

1 And after the uproar was ceased, Paul called unto him the disciples, and embraced them, and departed for to go into Macedonia.

2 And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece,

3 And there abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.

4 And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus.

5 These going 6 And we before tarried sailed away for us at from Philippi Troas. after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days; where we abode

seven days.

7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples cametogether to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

Chapter 20





8 And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.

9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

10 And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.

11 When he 12 And they therefore was brought the come up young man again, and alive, and had broken were not a bread, and little eaten, and comforted. talked a long while, even till break of

day, so he

departed.

13 And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so had he appointed, minding himself to go

afoot.

14 And when he met with us at Assos. we took him in, and came to Mitylene.

15 And we sailed thence, and came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus.

16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted. if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost.

17 And from 18 And when Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,

19 Serving the LORD with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:

20 And how I 21 Testifying kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,

both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

25 And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more.

26 Wherefore 27 For I have 28 Take heed 29 For I know not shunned I take you to record this to declare day, that I unto you all am pure from the counsel of and to all the shall grievous the blood of God. all men.

therefore unto yourselves, flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

this, that after my departing wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after night and day them.

31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one with tears.

32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.

33 I have

coveted no

man's silver,

or gold, or

apparel.

35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

36 And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

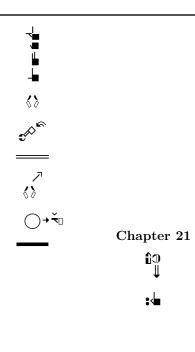
37 And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,

38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.









1 And it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the day following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:

a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.

we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria, Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.

disciples, we tarried there seven days: who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he up to Jerusalem.

2 And finding 3 Now when 4 And finding 5 And when we had accomplished those days. we departed and went our way; and they all and landed at should not go brought us on our way, with wives and children, till

we were out

of the city: and we

kneeled down

on the shore,

and prayed.

6 And when we had taken our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned home again.

7 And when we had finished our course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

8 And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and did prophesy. came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and

abode with

him.

10 And as we tarried there many days, there came virgins, which down from Judaea a certain prophet, named Agabus.

9 And the

same man

had four

daughters.

he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.

11 And when 12 And when 13 Then Paul 14 And when 15 And after we heard answered, What mean these things, both we, and ye to weep and to break they of that mine heart? besought him for I am ready not to not to go up to Jerusalem. be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.

place,

be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done.

he would not those days we went with us took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.

16 There also certain of to Jerusalem, the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

17 And when 18 And the we were come day following the brethren with us unto received us James: and all the elders gladly. were present.

19 And when he had Paul went in saluted them, he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.

20 And when 21 And they they heard it, are informed they glorified the Lord, and thou teachest said unto him, Thou seest, brother, how many thousands of Moses, saying Jews there are which believe; and they are all zealous of the law:

of thee, that all the Jews which are among the Gentiles to forsake that they ought not to circumcise their children. neither to walk after the customs.

22 What is it therefore? the multitude must needs come together: for they will hear that thou art come.

23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them;

24 Them take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they may shave their heads: and all may know that those things, whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but that thou thyself also walkest and from orderly, and fornication. keepest the

25 Astouching the took the men, Gentiles which believe, we have written and concluded that they observe no such thing, save only that they keep themselves from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled.

26 Then Paul 27 And when the seven and the next days were day purifying almost ended. himself with the Jews them entered which were of into the Asia, when temple, to they saw him signify the in the temple, accomplishstirred up all ment of the the people, days of and laid purification, hands on until that an him, offering should be offered for every one of them.

28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the man, that teacheth all men every where against the people, and the law. and this place: and further brought Greeks also into the temple, and hath polluted this holy place.

29 (For they had seen before with him in the city Ephesian, whom they supposed brought into the temple.)

30 And all the city was moved, and the people ran together: Trophimus an and they took Paul, and drew him out band, that all of the temple: that Paul had and forthwith the doors were shut.

31 And as they went about to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain of the Jerusalem was in an uproar.

32 Who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down unto them: and when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they left beating of Paul.

33 Then the chief captain came near, and took him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains; and demanded who he was. and what he had done.

law.

cried one thing, some another, among the multitude: and when he could not know the certainty for the tumult, he commanded him to be carried into the castle.

34 And some 35 And when he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was borne of the soldiers for the violence of the people.

36 For the 37 And as multitude of Paul was to the people be led into followed the castle, he after, crying, said unto the Away with chief captain. him. May I speak unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek?

38 Art not thou that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers?

39 But Paul said, I am a man which am a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and, I beseech thee, suffer me to speak unto the people.

40 And when he had given him licence, Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with the hand unto the people. And when there was made a great silence, he spake unto them in the Hebrew tongue, saying,

1 Men, brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defence which I make now unto you.

2 (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more silence: and he saith,)

3 I am verily a man which am a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, vet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous

toward God,

as ye all are this day.

4 And I persecuted this way unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women.

Chapter 22

5 As also the 7 And I fell 8 And I 9 And they 6 And it high priest came to pass, unto the answered, that were said, What I could not ground, and doth bear me that, as I Who art with me saw shall I do, see for the witness, and made my heard a voice thou, Lord? indeed the LORD? And glory of that all the estate journey, and saying unto And he said light, and the Lord said light, being of the elders: was come me, Saul, unto me, I were afraid; led by the unto me, from whom nigh unto Saul, why am Jesus of but they Arise, and go hand of them also I Nazareth, heard not the that were Damascus persecutest into received about noon, thou me? whom thou voice of him Damascus; with me, I letters unto suddenly persecutest. that spake to and there it came into there shone shall be told Damascus. the brethren, me. and went to from heaven thee of all Damascus, to a great light things which bring them round about are appointed which were me. for thee to there bound do. untoJerusalem, for to be punished.

10 And I11 And when

12 And one 13 Came Ananias, a unto me, and devout man stood, and according to said unto me, the law, Brother Saul, having a receive thy good report sight. And of all the the same hour I looked Jews which dwelt there, up upon him.

14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.

15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.

16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

17 And it 18 A came to pass, him that, when I unt was come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance; thy temple in a trance; the condition of the came to pass the came to pass, him that, when I unto pass the came to pass, him that, when I unto pass the came to pass, him that, when I unto pass the came to pass the

18 And saw him saying said unto me, the Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me.

19 And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed on thee:

20 And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him.

21 And he 22 And they said unto me, gave him Depart: for I audience unto will send thee this word. far hence and then unto the lifted up their Gentiles. voices, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth: for it is not fit that he should live.

23 And as they cried out, and cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the air,

24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by scourging; that he might know wherefore they cried so against him.

25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?

26 When the centurion heard that, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest: for this man

is a Roman.

27 Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said, Yea.

28 And the chief captain answered,
With a great sum obtained
I this freedom. And
Paul said,
But I was free born.

29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

30 On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews, he loosed him from his bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them.

1 And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men and brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day.

2 And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him to smite him on the mouth.

3 Then said Paul unto him, God shall smite thee, thou whited wall: for sittest thou to judge me after the law, and commandest me to be smitten contrary to the law?

5 Then said 4 And they Paul, I wist that stood by said, Revilest not, brethren, thou God's that he was the high high priest? priest: for it is written, Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of

thy people.

6 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.

7 And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and the Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.

Chapter 23



8 For the 9 And there Sadducees arose a great say that cry: and the there is no scribes that resurrection. were of the neither angel, Pharisees' nor spirit: part arose, but the and strove, Pharisees saying, We confess both. find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, let us not fight against God.

10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commandedthe soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the castle.

11 And the night Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

12 And when it was day, following the certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

13 And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.

14 And they came to the chief priests and elders, and said, We signify to the have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will eat nothing until we have slain Paul.

15 Now therefore ye with the council chief captain that he bring him down unto you to morrow, as though ye would enquire something more perfectly concerning 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.

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.

17 Then Paul 18 So he took 19 Then the chief captain him, and brought him took him by to the chief the hand, and captain, and went with said, Paul the him aside prisoner privately, and called me asked him, unto him, What is that thou hast to and prayed me to bring tell me? this young man unto thee, who hath

something to

say unto thee.

20 And he said, The Jews have agreed to desire thee that thou wouldest bring down Paul to morrow into the council, as though they would enquire somewhat of him more perfectly.

21 But do 22 So the not thou chief captain vield unto then let the them: for young man there lie in depart, and wait for him charged him, of them more See thou tell than forty no man that men, which thou hast have bound themselves things to me. 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.

spearmen two hundred, at the third

23 And he called unto him two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go Felix the to Caesarea, governor. shewed these and horsemen threescore and ten, and

24 And 25 And he provide them wrote a letter after this beasts, that they may set manner: Paul on, and bring him safe unto

26 Claudius Lysias unto the most excellent governor Felix sendeth greeting.

27 This man was taken of the Jews, and should have been killed of them: then came I with an army, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.

28 And when I would have known the cause wherefore they accused him, I brought him forth into their council:

29 Whom I perceived to be accused of questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death or of bonds.

30 And when it was told me how that the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent straightway to thee, and gave commandment to his accusers also to say before thee what they had against him. Farewell.

31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought him by night to Antipatris.

32 On the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle:

hour of the

night;

33 Who, 34 And when when they the governor came to had read the Caesarea and letter, he delivered the asked of what epistle to the province he governor, was. And presented when he Paul also understood before him. that he was of Cilicia;

35 I will hear thee, said he, when thine accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept in Herod's judgment hall.

1 And after five days Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus. who informed the governor against Paul.

2 And when he was called forth. Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done unto this nation by thy providence,

3 We accept 4 Notwithit always, and standing, in all places, that I be not most noble further Felix, with all tedious unto thankfulness. thee, I pray thee that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.

5 For we have found this man a pestilent fellow, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the

Nazarenes:

6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law.

Chapter 24

7 But the chief captain Lysias came upon us, and with great violence took him away out whom thyself of our hands,

8 Commanding his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.

9 And the Jews also assented, saying that these things were so.

10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered, Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself:

11 Because that thou mayest understand, that there are vet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem for neither in the to worship.

12 And they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up the people, synagogues, nor in the city:

13 Neither can they prove the things whereof they now accuse me.

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow. that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

16 And
herein do I
exercise
myself, to
have always a
conscience
void to
offence
toward God,
and toward
men.

17 Now after many years I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.

Whereupon certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with multitude, nor with tumult.

19 Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, if they had ought against me.

20 Or else let these same here say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood before the council, 21 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.

22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of that way, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter.

23 And he 24 And after commanded a certain days, when Felix centurion to keep Paul. came with his and to let wife Drusilla, him have which was a liberty, and Jewess, he that he sent for Paul, should forbid and heard none of his him acquaintance concerning to minister or the faith in come unto Christ.

him.

25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time: when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.

27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound. 1 Now when
Festus was
come into the
province,
after three
days he
ascended
from
Caesarea to
Jerusalem.

2 Then the high priest and the chief of the Jews informed him against Paul, and besought him,

3 And desired 4 E favour against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying wait in the way to kill him.

4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at Caesarea, and that he himself would depart shortly thither.

Chapter 25

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5 Let them therefore, said he, which among you are able, go down with me, and accuse this man, if there be any wickedness in day sitting on him.

6 And when 7 And when he had he was come, the Jews tarried among them which came more than down from ten days, he Jerusalem went down stood round unto about, and Caesarea; laid many and the next and grievous complaints the judgment against Paul, which they seat commanded could not Paul to be prove. brought.

8 While he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against the temple, nor vet against Caesar, have I offended any thing at all.

9 But Festus, willing to do Paul, I stand the Jews a at Caesar's pleasure, judgment answered seat, where I Paul, and ought to be said, Wilt judged: to thou go up to the Jews have refuse not to Jerusalem, I done no and there be wrong, as judged of thou very these things well knowest. before me?

10 Then said 11 For if I be an offender, or have committed any thing worthy of death, I die: but if there be none unto Caesar? of these things whereof these accuse me, no man may deliver me unto them. I appeal unto Caesar.

12 Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, Hast thou appealed unto Caesar

shalt thou go.

13 And after certain days king Agrippa and Bernice came unto Caesarea to salute Festus.

14 And when they had been there many days, Festus declared Paul's cause unto the king, saying, There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:

15 About whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed me, desiring to have judgment against him.

16 To whom I 17 Therefore, answered, It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer for himself concerning the crime laid against him.

when they were come hither, without any delay on the morrow I sat on the judgment seat, and commanded the man to be brought forth.

18 Against whom when the accusers stood up, they brought none accusation of such things as I supposed:

19 But had certain questions against him of their own superstition. and of one Jesus, which was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive.

20 And because I doubted of such manner of questions, I asked him whether he would go to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.

21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved unto the hearing of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I might send

him to

Caesar.

22 Then Agrippa said unto Festus, I would also hear the man myself. To morrow, said he, thou shalt hear him.

23 And on the morrow, when Agrippa was come, and Bernice, with great pomp, and was entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains, and principal men of the city, at Festus' commandment Paul was brought forth.

24 And Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men which are here present with us, ye see this man, about whom all the multitude of the Jews have dealt with me, both at Jerusalem, and also here, crying that he ought not to live any longer.

25 But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and that he himself hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send him.

26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord. Wherefore I have brought him forth before you, and specially before thee, O king Agrippa, that, after examination had, I might have

27 For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not withal to signify the crimes laid against him.

Chapter 26 somewhat to write.

1 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. Then Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself:

2 I think myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before thee touching all the things whereof I am accused of the Jews:

3 Especially because I know thee to be expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews: wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.

4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among mine own nation at Jerusalem, know all the Jews;

5 Which knew me from the beginning, if they would testify, that after the most straitest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee.

stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God. unto our fathers:

promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.

6 And now I 7 Unto which 8 Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?

9 I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth.

10 Which thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against them.

11 And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled them to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even unto strange cities.

12	13 At	14 And when	15 And I	16 But rise,	17 Delivering	18 To open	19	20 But
Whereupon	midday, O	we were all	said, Who art	and stand	thee from the	their eyes,	Whereupon,	shewed first
as I went to	king, I saw in	fallen to the	thou, Lord?	upon thy	people, and	and to turn	O king	unto them of
Damascus	the way a	earth, I heard	And he said,	feet: for I	from the	them from	Agrippa, I	Damascus,
with	light from	a voice	I am Jesus	have	Gentiles,	darkness to	was not	and at
authority and	heaven, above	speaking	whom thou	appeared	unto whom	light, and	disobedient	Jerusalem,
commission	the	unto me, and	persecutest.	unto thee for	now I send	from the	unto the	and
from the chief	brightness of	saying in the		this purpose,	thee,	power of	heavenly	throughout
priests,	the sun,	Hebrew		to make thee		Satan unto	vision:	all the coasts
	shining round	tongue, Saul,		a minister		God, that		of Judaea,
	about me and	Saul, why		and a witness		they may		and then to
	them which	persecutest		both of these		receive		the Gentiles,
	journeyed	thou me? it		things which		forgiveness of		that they
	with me.	is hard for		thou hast		sins, and		should repent
		thee to kick		seen, and of		inheritance		and turn to
		against the		those things		among them		God, and do
		pricks.		in the which I		which are		works meet
				will appear		sanctified by		for
				unto thee;		faith that is		repentance.
						in me.		

21 For these causes the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill me.

22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto should be the this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:

23 That Christ should suffer, and that he first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26 For the king knoweth of these things, before the prophets? whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner.

27 King Agrippa, believest thou I know that thou believest.

28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.

30 And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them: 31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man doeth nothing worthy of death or of bonds. 32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Caesar.

1 And when it was determined that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners unto one named Julius, a centurion of Augustus' band.

2 And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of Asia: one Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.

4 And when
we had
launched
from thence,
we sailed
under
Cyprus,
because the
winds were
contrary.

3 And the

next day we touched at

Sidon. And

Julius

courteously

entreated

Paul, and

gave him

liberty to go

unto his

friends to

refresh

himself.

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5 And when 6 And there 8 And, hardly 9 Now when 10 And said 11 12 And 13 And when 7 And when we had sailed the centurion we had sailed passing it, much time unto them, Nevertheless because the the south found a ship came unto a was spent, the centurion haven was wind blew over the sea slowly many Sirs, I of Cilicia and of Alexandria days, and place which is and when perceive that believed the softly, not master and Pamphylia, sailing into scarce were called The sailing was this voyage commodious supposing we came to Italy; and he fair havens; now will be with the owner of that they had come over to winter in. the ship, Myra, a city put us against nigh dangerous, hurt and the more part obtained of Lycia. therein. whereunto because the more than their purpose, Cnidus, the much advised to was the city those things wind not fast was now damage, not depart thence loosing which were thence, they suffering us, of Lasea. already past, only of the also, if by any we sailed Paul lading and spoken by means they sailed close admonished Paul. under Crete, ship, but also might attain by Crete. over against them, of our lives. to Phenice, Salmone; and there to winter; which is an haven of Crete, and lieth toward the south west and north west.

		had much work to come by the boat:	fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.	ship;		on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.	said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.	among you, but of the ship.
23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,	24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with	as it was to	f cast upon er: certain ve island. it	be la : c v uj	7 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven p and down in Adria, about hidnight the shipmen	28 And sounded, and found it twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found it	29 Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.	30 And as the shipmen were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under colour as though they

deemed that

they drew

near to some

country;

fifteen

fathoms.

18 And we

being

tossed with a

tempest, the

19 And the

third day we

cast out with

our own

hands the

tackling of

the ship.

20 And when

neither sun

nor stars in

many days

appeared,

and no small

tempest lay

21 But after 22 And now I

long

abstinence

Paul stood

forth in the

midst of

them, and

exhort you to

be of good

cheer: for

there shall be

no loss of any

man's life

would have

cast anchors

out of the

foreship,

14 But not

long after

there arose

against it a

tempestuous

wind, called

Euroclydon.

15 And when

the ship was

caught, and

could not

bear up into

the wind, we

let her drive.

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16 And

running

under a

certain island

which is

called

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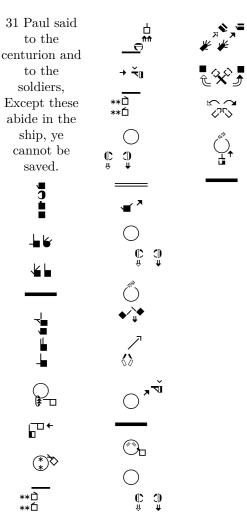
they used

helps,

had taken up, exceedingly

undergirding next day they

the ship; and, lightened the



- 32 Then the soldiers cut off the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off.
- 33 And while the day was coming on,
 Paul besought them all to take meat, saying, This day is the fourteenth day that ye have tarried and continued fasting,

having taken nothing.

- 34 Wherefore I pray you to take some meat: for this is for your health: for there shall not an hair fall from the head of any of you.
- 35 And when he had thus spoken, he took bread, and gave thanks to God in presence of them all: and when he had broken it, he began to eat.
- 36 Then were they all of good cheer, and they also took some meat.

- 37 And we were in all in the ship two hundred threescore and sixteen souls.
- 38 And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea.
- 39 And when it was day, they knew not the land: but they discovered a certain creek with a shore, into the which they were minded, if it were possible, to thrust in the ship.
- 40 And when they had taken up the anchors, they committed themselves unto the sea, and loosed the rudder bands, and hoised up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.
- 41 And falling into a place where two seas met, they ran the ship aground; and the forepart stuck fast, and remained unmoveable, but the hinder part was broken with the violence of the waves.
- 42 And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out, and escape.
- 43 But the centurion, willing to save Paul, kept them from their purpose; and commanded that they which could swim should cast themselves first into the sea, and get

to land:

44 And the rest, some on boards, and some on broken pieces of the ship. And so it came to pass, that they escaped all safe to land.

1 And when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita.

2 And the barbarous people shewed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.

3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.

4 And when the barbarians saw the venomous beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves. No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not

to live.

5 And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm.

6 Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he

was a god.

7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.

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8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever in the island, and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.

9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases came, and were healed:

10 Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed. they laded us with such things as were necessary.

11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.

12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried there three days.

13 And from thence we fetched a compass, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:

14 Where we found brethren, and the brethren were desired to tarry with them seven days: and so we went toward Rome.

15 And from 16 And when thence, when heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii forum, and The three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, a soldier that and took courage.

we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with kept him.

17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men and brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers. vet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.

19 But when the Jews when they had examined spake against me, would it, I was have let me constrained go, because to appeal there was no unto Caesar; not that I death in me. had ought to accuse my nation of.

18 Who,

cause of

20 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.

21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.

23 And when 24 And some they had believed the appointed things which him a day, were spoken, and some there came many to him believed not. into his

lodging; to

whom he

expounded

and testified

the kingdom

of God,

persuading

them

concerning

Jesus, both

out of the law

of Moses, and

out of the

prophets.

from morning

till evening.

25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,

26 Saying, 27 For the Go unto this heart of this people is people, and say, Hearing waxed gross, and their ears ve shall hear, and shall not are dull of understand; hearing, and and seeing ye their eves shall see, and have they not perceive: closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be

> converted, and I should heal them.

28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it.

29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,

31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with allconfidence, no man forbidding him.