

II. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR THE QUARTER: Paul, the hero.

III. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY'S LESSON: Paul, the preaching hero.

IV. REVIEW:

1. To what city was Paul sent by the chief captain?
2. Before whom was he tried there?
3. What kind of a man was Felix?
4. Why was Paul not afraid?

V. SYNOPSIS OF LESSON: After the deposition of Felix, Porcius Festus was appointed in his stead. We do not know much about Festus, but he was a better man than Felix. He wanted to show favor to the Jews, and, while he would not consent to have Paul brought up to Jerusalem, he agreed to hear what they had to say against him, provided they came to Caesarea. The Jews, being so determined against Paul, left only one safe way for him, and he therefore appealed unto Caesar. Festus granted the appeal, and while awaiting removal from Caesarea to Rome, King Agrippa and his wife, Bernice, made a visit to Festus, and, being told of Paul's case, desired to hear him. With great pomp and show the crowd assembled; there being present Agrippa, Bernice, Festus, the chief captains and other men of influence. The most prominent of all would be King Agrippa. He was a man of bad character and reputation, as also was Bernice. The king signified to Paul that he was permitted to speak for himself, and our lesson to-day is taken from the closing words of his address, and the conversation between Paul, Festus and Agrippa.

VI. SUGGESTIVE STEPS IN TEACHING THE LESSON:

1. Review with the two hearts used in last lesson in the hand, drawing out the words from each heart the same as last week.

2. Explain intervening events. The removal of Felix, and the new governor, Festus, and also the visit of the wicked King Agrippa and Bernice. Tell how with great pomp and

show they, with the chief captains and principle men assembled. Illustrate it if you like by some scene of pomp and show which the children may know of or have read about. Tell them of the King of kings. Satan was the king of King Agrippa, but Jesus was the King of Paul.

3. Tell of Paul being brought, doubtless with a Roman soldier on each side

of him, and perhaps many more close at hand. Put some marks on the board to represent and make real the assembly.

4. Was Paul afraid? Would you have been? Paul was a hero. He knew God would stand beside him, and he trusted Him. When he was given permission to speak for himself he did not think so much of himself, but of the message Jesus had given him to speak. Festus was not a Christian; Agrippa, the wicked king, was not a Christian, and Paul pointed them to Jesus. He told them what Jesus had done for him, and said that as long as he lived he would point people to Jesus, whether they were rich or poor, great or small.

5. Tell the story of Willie, the Preacher: "When I get big enough I'm going to be a preacher," said Willie one day. "What is a preacher?" asked grandma. Willie looked surprised. "Don't you know what a preacher is? A preacher is the man that tells people what

