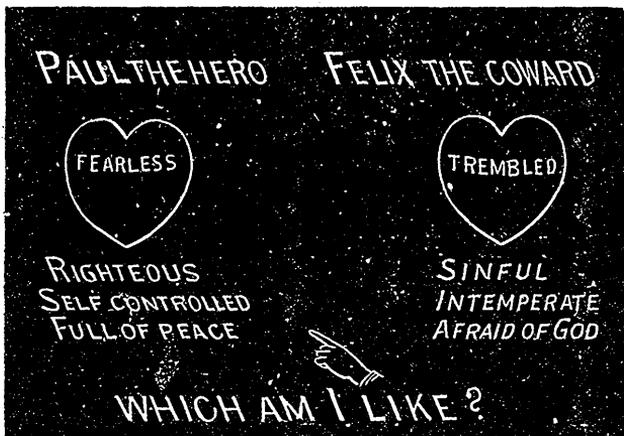


came from Jerusalem to attend the trial and to testify against Paul. They brought with them a lawyer, one Tertullus, to plead their cause. Paul was tried before Felix, the Roman governor. Three charges were made against him: 1st, Seditious; 2nd, Heresy; 3rd, Profanation of the Temple.

The first he answered with an emphatic denial. To the second he said: "After the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers." To the third charge he answered: They cannot prove what they say; let them bring witnesses. The verdict of Felix was a postponement until the chief captain came down. Some days after, Felix sent for Paul, who appeared before him and his wife Drusilla. When Paul reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled and said: "Go thy way for this time, when I have a convenient season I will call for thee."

**SUGGESTIVE STEPS IN TEACHING THE LESSON:**



1. What is the difference between a hero and a coward? We will learn to-day. Little Pierre was a hero; if he had been afraid, and done what the man told him (Lesson II), he would have been a coward.

2. Our lesson is about two men to-day—one a hero, and one a coward. Write the words—HERO COWARD. The name of one was Paul.

3. Review the last two lessons.
4. Tell about the intervening events: (a) Paul's danger in Jerusalem. (b) The plot to kill him (23: 12.) The deliverance, and the help given by the son of Paul's sister. (c) The escort to Caesarea up to—
5. The trial of Paul. Make a rough sketch and some marks to stand for—(a) Paul, (b) his guards, (c) Ananias, Tertullus and the Jews, (d) Felix.
6. Two men—Paul, Felix. Show two hearts and pin them under the words PAUL THE HERO, and FELIX THE COWARD. Why the difference? Make double hearts, by folding thin pieces of cardboard or paper and cutting the shape of hearts, leaving only a small piece uncut at the top to keep them joined together. Draw from one heart the words, RIGHTEOUS, SELF-CONTROLLED, full of PEACE; and from the other, SINFUL, INTEMPERATE, AFRAID OF GOD. Dwell on this last. He who is a hero is not afraid of God. He who is doing right is not afraid of God. Felix was. Paul was not.
7. Tell of the trial; the verdict—verses 22 and 23.
8. Tell of the second interview between Paul and Felix, when Drusilla was present. What made Felix tremble? A consciousness of wrong in his heart.
9. Paul was a hero. Felix was a coward. Why?
10. Which am I like? Use an index hand.

**LESSON IV.—October 24th, 1897.**

**Paul before King Agrippa. ACTS 26: 19-32.**

1. GOLDEN TEXT: "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." Matt. 10: 32.