

Story 121: Paul Goes to Rome as a Prisoner

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Read this story in the Bible in Acts 28: 16-31.

Words to Know

kept – past tense of keep: to hold in your possession

protect – to keep from harm

explain – to help something be understood

citizen – a person who belongs to a certain country

executed – put to death

Questions

1. Why did many of the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem hate Paul?
2. Why didn't the Jewish leaders kill Paul?
3. Why was Paul kept in jail for two years?
4. After two years, why was Paul brought out of jail?
5. How did the king and the Roman governor feel about Paul?
6. Why did Paul ask to see the emperor in Rome?
7. Why was Paul allowed to see the emperor in Rome?
8. What happened to Paul in Rome?

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