

**The Foundation of the Church: “Built on the Gospel Appeals”**

**Acts 25-26**

**January 18, 2026**

I. An Appeal for Gospel Advance (25:1-12)

II. An Appeal from a Gospel Testimony (25:13-26:23)

III. An Appeal to Believe the Gospel (26:24-32)

**LET'S GO DEEPER:**

1. Acts 25:1-12 tells us about Paul's third trial. What is the same and what is new about this time around? In verse 12, what appeal does Paul make and why? How can we advance God's mission even in dark and difficult circumstances?
2. How does Paul make his defense in Acts 26:1-23? What is Paul's basic message and appeal?
3. Look closely at 26:18 and 26:20. What do these verses teach us about what it means to be a Christian?
4. In 26:24-32, how do Festus and Agrippa respond to Paul? What do we learn from Paul's desires in 26:29?