

## Message Outline

Paul: Drawing Conclusions

### Acts 28:16-31



**Intro:** Studying the life of Paul last 3 months...

- Reviewing his faith journey (cf. 2Cor.11:21-12:10, 2Tim.3:10-4:8)...

**v.16**—At Rome, under house arrest...

**v.17-20**—Explaining events that led to Rome...

**v.21-22**—A request to hear more about the faith.

**v.23-28**—Paul sharing faith: some believe, some don't.

**v.30-31**—Two full years in this setting...

- Historical tradition behind Paul's martyrdom...
- A life well lived (2Tim.4:6-8)...

### Lasting Lessons from Paul's Life

1) \_\_\_\_\_

- Gospel spread numerically and geographically (cf. Acts 1:8, 28:31)...
- Spread thru long days and lots of loving labor (cf. 2Cor.11:26-27)...

2) \_\_\_\_\_

- Riots, physical pain, relational strife...all realities Paul had to represent Jesus thru!
- see Acts 14:21-22

3) \_\_\_\_\_

- Paul's way with all sorts of people (kings/commoners) in all sorts of places (synagogues/markets/courts/homes)...

4) \_\_\_\_\_

- Ways God shapes His saints...
- Prayer, God's Word, worship, solitude, Christian friends, all a part of Paul's life!

5) \_\_\_\_\_

- Special revelations in special times of need (27:23-24, 23:11, 16:9-10, 18:9-11, 9:3-4)...

6) \_\_\_\_\_

- Paul sought out church and served the church the duration of his Christian life...

7) \_\_\_\_\_

- Your past does not DQ you from having a future with God!!!

## Small Group Reflection Questions



(Please take time to ponder and pencil in to prep for this week's small group session.)

*Read: Philippians 3-4*

*\*From this passage, what do you notice about how Christians are to live?*

*\*What spoke to you this past Sunday (ie. what made you laugh, learn, look deeper at life etc.)?*

*\*What character trait do you admire most about Paul?*

*\*What part of Paul's life can you relate the most to: violent years, converted, secluded, teacher, traveler, prisoner, shipwrecked, etc.?*

*\*If you could ask Paul one question about his life, what would you ask him?*

*\*What is the life lesson you have taken away from this sermon series on Paul?*