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Text: [Acts 28:17-31](#)

Paul in Rome

Paul wants to take the gospel global. What better way than to get the gospel to the epic center of the world in his day – Rome!

God's plans were different

[Proverbs 16:9](#) – a man's heart devises his ways but the Lord directs his steps.

God uses the Roman government to pay the way for Paul to get to Rome as a prisoner.

[Acts 28:16](#)

(16) And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.

#1 The Gospel is unhindered by unfavorable circumstances.

[Acts 28:17](#)

(17) And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men and brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.

#2 The Gospel is unhindered by false accusations.

[Acts 28:20](#)

(20) For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see you, and to speak with you: because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.

#3 The Gospel is unhindered by human restraint.

[Acts 28:21-22](#)

(21) And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee. (22) But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that everywhere it is spoken against.

#4 The Gospel is unhindered by religious opposition.

[Acts 28:23-24](#)

(23) And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening. (24) And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

#5 The Gospel is unhindered by theological arguments.

[Acts 28:25-27](#)

(25) And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers, (26) Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive: (27) For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

#6 The Gospel is unhindered by spiritual hardness.

[Acts 28:28-29](#)

(28) Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it. (29) And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

#7 The Gospel is unhindered by national rejection.

[Acts 28:30-31](#)

(30) And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him, (31) Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

#8 The Gospel is unhindered by prison chains.

What is hindering you from sharing and spreading the gospel?