

Questions for Reflection and Discussion
Acts 28:17-31
The Gospel Unhindered

Background

Read Ac 28:1-16. Write a brief summary of Paul's arrival in Rome.

Digging In

1. **Read Ac 28:17-20.** What are the three main points Paul makes in his first meeting with the leaders of the Jew?
2. Why did Paul appeal to Caesar?
3. **Read vss. 21-22.** How would you describe the position of the Jewish leaders at this point?
4. **Read vss. 23-24.** What were the elements of Paul's message?
5. How did the Jewish leaders respond?
6. **Read vss. 25-27, and Isa 6:9-10.** How did Paul apply Isa 6:9-10 to his listeners?
7. **Read v. 28.** What result did Paul envision as God's salvation was taken to the Gentiles?
8. **Read vss. 30-31.** What words does Luke use to characterize Paul's preaching?
9. What do you think it means to preach the ***kingdom of God***?
10. What key points would Paul have made in teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ?



Getting Personal

- How can unswerving confidence in the gospel help us persevere in knowing Christ and making him known?
- How can we follow Paul's example of unwavering trust in God's sovereignty?
- What do we learn from this passage about the essence of the gospel message?
- What does this passage teach us about focusing on the mission Christ has given us, rather than on difficulties or mistreatment?