

Acts 28:11-31

Rome Sweet Rome (or “There’s No Place Like Rome”)

The Israel to Italy Trek Concludes (in a Timeframe/after Events Arranged by God’s Providence) with Paul Safely in Rome Waiting for His Appeal To Come before the Emperor v11-16

The Last Phases of a LONG Trip from Caesarea to Rome: The End of February 60AD

From Malta to Syracuse to Rhegium to Puteoli and Finally to Rome

Paul’s Status Quo in Rome

Confined but Comfortable: He Was Able to Receive Guests (and Write Letters Including: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon)

Paul Proclaims the Gospel to the Jewish Leaders of Rome v17-28

Meeting #1 v17-22

Key Jewish Leaders of the Area Agree to Schedule a More Formal Meeting

Meeting #2 v23-28

A Large Number of Influential Jews Meet with Paul-Who Was “trying to persuade them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets

1: Some of the hearers WERE persuaded

2: Others would not believe...and as these left the meeting, Paul cited Isaiah 6:9-10 (the same passage the Lord Jesus cited under similar circumstances in Mathew 13:14-15)

The End of the Book of Acts: Just the Beginning of the C-Church v30-31

Waiting (Even for Years) in God’s Will is Never Wasted Time

During this period, Paul was able to do in Rome what he could not do in Jerusalem!?! “preaching/teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.”

Take This To Heart

Even Though Being a Christian Often Involves Being Part of a Misunderstood and Marginalized Minority Group, Believers are to Live and Share Our Faith