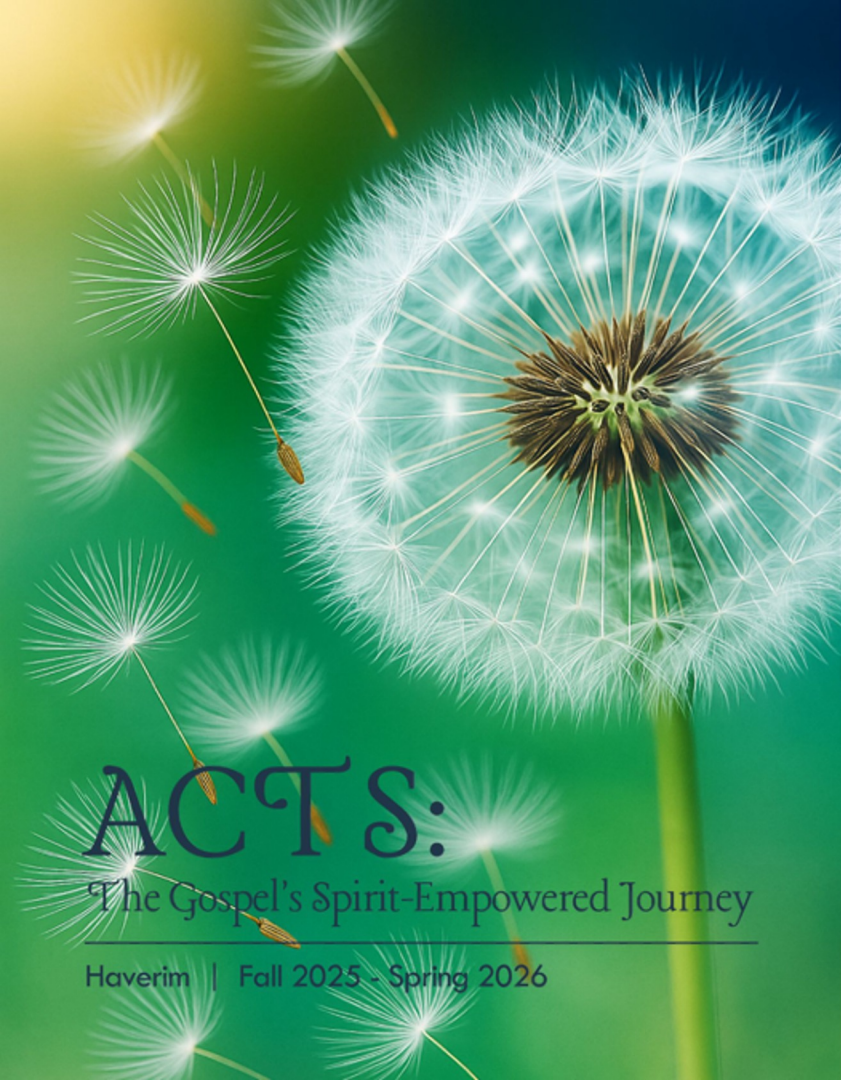




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# Acts 23:11

“The Lord came and stood by him (Paul).  
“Take courage. As you have testified about  
me in Jerusalem, so you must also testify in  
Rome.”

– The Lord encouraged Paul

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***Circumcision  
Again?!***

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# Paul's Hardships Cont.

- **Assaulted** by high priest's goon
- Dragged before the **Sanhedrin** on trumped up charges
- Incites a **dispute** between Pharisees and Sadducees
- **Jailed** again after Sanhedrin council's violent debate

Until...

# Paul's Encounters with God

**Damascus Road – Acts 9:3-9**

**In Corinth in a vision – Acts 18:9-10**

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# Today's Scripture

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# Paul's Hardships

- Jerusalem Jews riot in the streets and ruckus in Sanhedrin
- Change in venue: from Jerusalem to Caesarea
- Persecution leads to spread of the Gospel



# Paul's Defense

- Maintains belief in Jesus' resurrection
- Asserts his integrity, sterling reputation
- Destroys his accusers' lies with irrefutable facts

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# Paul Preaches to Felix

- Righteousness
- Self-control
- Judgment to come

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# **Paul's Prison Ministry**

**Wrote Letters (Epistles) & Prayed**

**Ephesians 1:16-18 and 3:14-21**

**Colossians 1:9-14**

**Philippians 1:3-11**

**1 Thessalonians 1:2-3**

**2 Thessalonians 1:11-12**

**Romans 1:9-10**

**Philemon 1:4**

# Paul's Suffering Inspires Others

The Holy Spirit used Paul's imprisonment to:

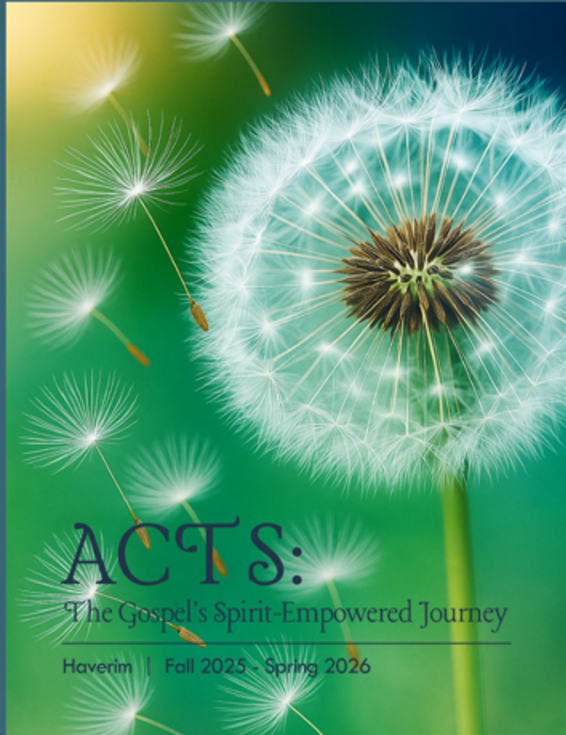
- Minister to Churches through his letters
- Advance the Gospel

“Because of my chains, (they) have been encouraged to speak... more fearlessly.”

– *Philippians 1:12-14*

## Lessons from Paul

- Paul maintained his divine assignment
- Remembered the Lord's encouragement
- Our suffering can fulfill God's divine plan



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