



**Protection**  
Message 9  
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**2. Assert God's \_\_\_\_\_.**  
(Acts 23:6-10. C/R: Deuteronomy 13:4; Proverbs 3:5-6;  
Luke 11:28; Colossians 3:16)

## ► Outline

*"... They have vowed not to eat or drink anything until they have killed him. ..."* **Acts 23:21 (NLT)**

### **A. Introduction** (Acts 22:30)

### **B. When facing opposition...** (Acts 23:1-35)

**1. Admit \_\_\_\_\_.**  
(Acts 23:1-5. C/R: Exodus 22:28; Romans 13:1-5;  
2 Timothy 2:24-25; James 1:20)

**3. Anticipate God's \_\_\_\_\_.**  
(Acts 23:11-35. C/R: Psalm 91; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3;  
2 Timothy 4:18; Hebrews 13:6)

**Answers:** 1. mistakes 2. truth 3. protection

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### ► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit [brookwoodchurch.org/adults](http://brookwoodchurch.org/adults).

#### Conversation Starter

Describe a time you were in a heated debate.

#### Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

#### Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read [Acts 23:1-5](#).

1. What words would you use to describe Paul?
2. Describe a time you said something but wished you hadn't. Did you admit your mistake?
3. Why must we submit to governing authorities (see [Romans 13:1-5](#))? Is there a time or situation we shouldn't submit to them?
4. When you're in a conversation, how do you know when it's best to keep silent and when it's time to voice your opinion?

Read [Acts 23:6-10](#).

5. What argument was Paul having with the Sadducees and Pharisees? Which group supported Paul, and which one was against him?
6. What are some of your beliefs that no one can talk you out of?

Read [Acts 23:11-35](#).

7. How did God protect Paul?
8. What are examples of religious and political conflicts throughout the world?
9. In what ways are you like and unlike Paul in your response to being falsely accused?

#### Spiritual Practice

*A spiritual practice is something we do to interrupt our usual thoughts, feelings and patterns, enabling us to move more deeply into the life of Christ.*

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#### Memory Verse

*So we can say with confidence, "The LORD is my helper, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?"*

[Hebrews 13:6 \(NLT\)](#)

#### Daily Reading

- Day 1: [2 Timothy 2:24-25](#)      Day 4: [Hebrews 13:1-9](#)  
Day 2: [Romans 13:1-5](#)      Day 5: [2 Thessalonians 3:1-5](#)  
Day 3: [Psalm 91:9-16](#)

#### Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, June 13, we'll continue our series titled *Church Extended*. To prepare, read [Acts 24:1-25:12](#).



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