

1. Open the Word of Truth to Acts 28:17. We are studying Paul's journey to Rome. Before we continue our Bible study you may want to take advantage of God's protocol for fellowship by silently naming your sins to God as we pray.
2. Last week I completed the exegesis of verse fifteen and the Doctrine of The Praetorian Guard.
3. Before we begin our analysis of verse sixteen, I want us to review a map of the journey to Rome and an expanded translation of Acts 28:12-16.



Acts 28:12 After landing at Syracuse the ship's captain decided to remain in port for three days hoping for favorable winds,
Acts 28:13 and from Syracuse, with some difficulty we made our way north arriving on the southern tip of Italy at the city of Rhegium. And the next day a gentle wind from the south began to blow so the captain after conferring with the Centurion decided we should begin our journey north to the bay of Naples and the city of Puteoli,
Acts 28:14 there at Puteoli we found several brothers and sisters in Christ who graciously invited us to spend the week with them; and after spending the week in Puteoli we began the long walk to Rome.
Acts 28:15 Now when the brothers and sisters in Christ in Rome heard of all the things which had happened to Paul they left the city and came as far as

the Appii Forum; many, however, chose to wait at the Inn of Three Taverns. When Paul saw his fellow believers coming to greet him he was greatly encouraged and gave thanks to God.

Acts 28:16 Now when we arrived in Rome, Paul was permitted to dwell near the palace with a member of the Praetorian Guard to both protect and guard him.

4. Now let's see what we can learn from the Greek of Acts 28:17.

KJV-New Sentence

Acts 28:17 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.

NIV

Acts 28:17 Three days later he called together the leaders of the Jews. When they had assembled, Paul said to them: "My brothers, although I have done nothing against our people or against the customs of our ancestors, I was arrested in Jerusalem and handed over to the Romans.

AND IT CAME TO PASS, THAT δε Γινομαι

1. **De Ginomai** is well translated "And it came to pass, that ..." or as we find in the NIV, it could just be omitted.
2. **De** is an adversative conjunction used as a simple connective followed by the deponent verb **Ginomai**, used for a passage of time and parsed as a 3rd person singular, aorist active indicative.
3. **Ginomai** has been variously translated in Scripture. Its basic meaning is "to become," however, it is often used as the "to be" verb.

KJV

Mat 7:28 "**And it came to pass**," when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:

Mat 7:29 For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

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Mat 7:28 When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching,

Mat 7:29 because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

1Ti 2:14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived "**was**" in the transgression.

Phi 2:7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and "**was made**" in the likeness of men:

Phi 2:8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and "**became**" obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Heb 4:3 For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works "**were finished**" from the foundation of the world.

AFTER THREE DAYS **μετα τρεις ημερα**

1. **Meta Hemera Treis** is well translated "after three days ...

2. **Meta** is a preposition followed by the adjective **Treis** and the noun **Hemera**; both are declined as accusative plurals.

3. **Meta** with a genitive as its object is to be translated "with" or "in"; whereas **Meta** with the accusative (as in our case) is to be translated "after." Thus it is after three days rather than with or in three days.

4. The noun **Hemera** most often refers to a twenty-four hour period. We have studied this noun in its various applications so I will only give you four uses found in the book of The Revelation, chapter eleven.

Rev 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and 1,260 "**days**," clothed in sackcloth.

Rev 11:4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

Rev 11:5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

Rev 11:6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the "**days**" of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

Rev 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

Rev 11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

Rev 11:9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies "**three days**" and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

Rev 11:10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.

Rev 11:11 And after "**three days**" and an half the spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.
Rev 11:12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.
Rev 11:13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

5. Take note how in Rev 11:9 and 11, **Treis** is used with **Hemera**.

PAUL CALLED **ΣΥΓΚΑΛΕΩ ΑΥΤΟΣ**

1. **Sugkaleo Autos** is better translated "Paul called together unto him ..." or literally it is rendered "He, Paul, called together to him ..."

2. **Sugkaleo** is a verb parsed as a 3rd person singular, aorist middle infinitive followed by the intensive pronoun **Autos** used as a 3rd person pronoun and declined as an accusative singular.

3. **Sugkaleo** is a compound verb consisting of **Sun** meaning, together and **Kaleo** meaning, to call. Let's look at several places where the verb is found elsewhere in Scripture.

Mar 15:16 And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and "**they called together**" the whole band.

Mar 15:17 And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head,

Mar 15:18 And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!

Luk 9:1 Then "**he called**" his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.

Luk 9:2 And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.

Luk 15:6 And when he cometh home, "**he calleth together**" his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.

Luk 15:7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

The Parable of the Lost Coin

Luk 15:8 Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it?

Luk 15:9 And when she hath found it, "**she calleth**" her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

Luk 15:10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Acts 5:17 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation,

Acts 5:18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

Acts 5:19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,

Acts 5:20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

Acts 5:21 And when they heard that, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and "**called**" the council "**together**," and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.

Acts 5:22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned and told,

Acts 5:23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

Acts 5:24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.

Acts 5:25 Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.

Acts 5:26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.

Acts 5:27 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them,

Acts 5:28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

Acts 5:29 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

End Lesson Taught 5-16-10