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# RE- FLECTING GOD

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Acts 28:16-22

Paul stands before the local Jewish leaders in Rome. He is granted the favor of an audience and the blessing of their curiosity. However, his motivation for that meeting proves to be quite a bit more than just proving he is a decent human being. As he states his case, he is clear that his heart is for the salvation of the Jews, even though they are his accusers!

There are people in this world who stand not only opposed to the people of God, but also to the gospel. They joke in break rooms. They post memes on social media. They slap bumper stickers on their cars.

How can we gain their trust and their favor? How can we earn their time and attention? We must follow the example of Paul. We must never forget that we too once opposed the gospel. We must truly desire good for those who threaten us. We must live lives that faithfully represent the law of love. Then we will find that because our attitude and actions surprise them, the blessing of their curiosity opens the opportunity to share the gospel.

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