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4. Tertullus' charges against Paul. 5-6
5. Subsequent actions. 6-8a
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3. He is innocent in regard to the _____. 17-21

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2. He would wait for _____, the Chiliarch. 22b
3. His orders about Paul. 23

D. Another Hearing. 24:24-26

1. Felix requests a hearing. 24a
2. Paul spoke about _____ in Christ. 24b
3. Paul discussed 25a
 - a. R _____
 - b. S _____ - _____

c. Coming _____

4. Felix was _____. 25b
5. Felix _____ Paul. 25c
6. Felix hoped for a _____! 26

E. Felix Delays. 24:27

1. The passage of time – _____ years!
2. Felix' replacement – P _____ F _____
3. Felix' motivation – wishing to do the Jews a _____.
4. Felix' injustice toward Paul – he left him _____.

F. The Hope of the Christian.

- * When we suffer trials and we find ourselves in a prison, we must hang our hope on _____!
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 3. Our living hope is based on Jesus' _____! |
Pet. 1:3
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 - a. Righteousness
 - b. Self-control

c. Coming judgment

4. Felix was frightened. 25b
5. Felix dismissed Paul. 25c
6. Felix hoped for a bribe! 26

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