"Acts – Enlarging the Kingdom (16-2): Paul's Journey to Rome" (Acts 28)

Disciple-making: Calling and Task at JBC

- I. Review: The Journey to Rome The 1st Leg of the Journey (Chap 27)
 - A. The Voyage of Jonah and of Paul: Similarities and Differences
 - B. 3 Practical Lessons in Life's Storms
 - 1. God's Presence and Purposes
 - 2. Storms Reveal one's Character
 - 3. Common Experiences... Believers are to Care for Non-believing Neighbors, and Share the Gospel through Love, Action and Witness
 - C. God Designated Paul to Play 4 Key Roles
 - 1. Paul the Counselor
 - 2. Paul the Encourager

Today, Paul's Next 2 Roles on his Journey to Rome

- II. The Journey to Rome The Last Leg of the Journey (Chap 28)
 - A. Paul the Servant (28:1-10)
 - 1. Paul's Attitude (vv 2-3a) Kingdom Servant: "To Serve and Not to be Served"
 - 2. Paul's Healing Ministry (vv 3b-10)

Engaging in Culture and Offering Practical Help is an Effective Way to Earn people's Ears to Hear and Receive the Gospel

- **B.** Paul the Preacher (28:11–31)
 - 1. Paul 1st Meeting with Some Jewish Leaders in Rome (vv 17-23)
 - 2. Paul 2nd Meeting with More Jewish Leaders in Rome (vv 24-28)

Tragic Spiritual Condition: Listening vs. Hearing, and Seeing vs. Perceiving

Reflection

Paul's Imprisonment for 2 Years in Rome were Not Wasted Years! The Body may be Incarcerated, but the Gospel is Not!

Believers, don't be like Jonah, but be like Paul!
It's our Privilege and Responsibility to Share the Gospel with All!
Let's Pursue the Passion of Jesus to Enlarge God's Kingdom
before He Returns!