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4. Read Luke 22:63-71 and John 18:19-23. Compare Jesus's reactions with Paul's reaction to Ananias. Do you think Paul responded appropriately? Why or why not?
5. Read Acts 24:14-16; 26:6-8; and 28:20. Notice how Paul emphasizes the resurrection. How do these passages related to what Paul told the Sanhedrin in 23:6-10?
6. Why must we emphasize the resurrection when sharing the gospel?
7. Have you ever shared the gospel before an unfriendly and unbelieving audience? If so, what were your biggest challenges? What can you learn from Paul's defenses that may prepare you to do this task more faithfully and effectively?
8. How does verse 11 encourage you? Explain.
9. How can we experience the reassuring presence of Jesus on a daily basis?
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