## ~TERTULLUS (42)

(Ter-tul'lus) [from Latin diminutive of Tertius]

- A public speaker who presented the Jews case against Paul before Governor Felix in Caesarea. Of what Luke recorded, much of Tertullus statement personally praises Felix, with only a very brief accusation against Paul, attempting to implicate him with the frequent seditions against Rome.
- Five days later the High Priest Ananias came down with some older men and a public speaker, a certain Tertullus, and they gave information to the governor against Paul. (Acts of Apostles 24:1)
- When he was called, Tertullus started accusing him, saying; Seeing that we enjoy great peace through you and that reforms are taking place in this nation through your forethought. (Acts of Apostles 24:2)
- At all times and also in all places we receive it, Your Excellency Felix, with the greatest thankfulness. (Acts of Apostles 24:3)
- But that I may not hinder you any further, I beseech you to hear us briefly in your kindliness. (Acts of Apostles 24:4)
- For we have found this man a pestilent fellow and stirring up seditions among all the Jews throughout the inhabited earth and a spearhead of the sect of the Nazarenes. (Acts of Apostles 24:5)
- One who also tried to profane the temple and whom we seized. (Acts of Apostles 24:6)
- From him you yourself can by examination find out about all these things of which we are accusing him. (Acts of Apostles 24:8)
- Nothing definite is known as to Tertullus nationality, whether Jewish or Roman.