Sem. Chapel
2/26/70

Intro. 1. Mention to AATS team, if help to ascertain who does work here, clean and I same hgt. 4 yrs. ago.

2. To those dressp'd after the decorative trappings off worship yesterday, want you to know I stand on case of Bud

3. You heard Supt. Royal read of Agrippa + Bernice occas. for a new airing of the antig. lawsuit - Jewish nation vs. Paul. Prisoner appears in chains, equanimity into dazzling assembly, eyes making painful adjust to light after 2 yrs of dungeon.

4. Defense of self (practical & edl) and apology for Chr. faith before Rome.

5. Interrupted by Festus - Paul, you are mad!

6. The habit of Acts to underscore the Divine source of energy + power & Ch. by speaking of public misunder. of that power.
   - (a) New wine!
   - (b) Egyptian rebel.
   - (c) Vain babbler!
   - (d) Murderer - a god.
   - (e) Mad!

1. The madness or mania meant elation, excitement. Same root as word for prayer

prophets who in frenzies spoke for God.

2. For Freitus, mania due to study or learning. This connection persists in our culture. Take a brilliant man to go nuts. Mad scientist. The inventor of atomic reactor touching off cracks in sidewalk.

3. We much more sophisticated about forms and degrees of mental disorder, we still with Freitus in inability to ascertain the real source & nature of abnormal behavior. Compulsion; obsession; mania

4. Call what will, life of intense desire.
   a. All have desires. Restless vague discontent, upset or edge, uneasiness, sense of distance from goal.
   b. But often specific. In boy, wild, rash, unreasonable - poem, to swim, mill. dollars, school burn down. With prompt bargaining with parents, with God. With pursuits: music ed.; scholarship, athletics, show business. Role of guilt.
   c. Normally, function freely with alternatives; choices don't immobilize.
   d. But what is it to select one path & pursue with intensity that appears no choice at all. Had to; from mother's womb; laid hold of me
   e. Some decide by 5 to 7, grim at 5 to 7 and speak often & highly of alternatives. (Choice

Choice = Zeno's Paradox: "Half way here; then half way there; then half way there; then half way there

of school, mate, career); others decide by 5% or 100%.

5. And someone says, where your freedom?

a. With some, haunting questions. Thru what mother wants so wrong; Father a lawyer so I can't be one for my own reasons - law is out. So finder; even tugs to Holy Land (a la saints) can become a sanctus.

b. With others, not so. Choices, talent, yes, but bury them. (a. Schweitzer)

6. That diff. - how acc't for it?

a. In will?

b. Some early bending of the twig?

In worship, then outside, feel the dry between sky + earth. and throw self into gulf -

c. In some endowment of heart.

Ill. - Mother, "Come talk daughter of succession notions; been thru since childhood - always fixing broken wings, taping, wrong together."

7. Don't intend to -

a. Make Paul normative and create guilt feelings, admittedly too big.

b. Now flatten out space contour of [illegible] faith and mission to fact as did [illegible] journey retraced and nothing gained by painting [illegible] on our robes.

c. Not idealize madness + compulsive neuroses. Some people are in fact mighty eccentric.
Story of such (Frankie) in South. town. friend of animals, children, space. Negroes permitted because he eccentric.
Happy sent except going to ch. + funerals. Black friends kept at door. Factor getting pastor + parents to promise at his funeral blacks come. Happy, told things, black friends + stepped in front of car. New scene, - blacks + white white minister explains how God accepts eccentric.

8. But do wish Factus right - your study has made you mad.
In such a course of study, I would not teach it — I take it.