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Benjamin Schliesser, Why Did Paul Skip Alexandria? Paul's Missionary Strategy and the Rise of Christianity in Alexandria.

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Introduction. - 1. Theological and scriptural reasons: 1.1. Alexandria was not part of the "Table of Nations"; - 1.2. Alexandria was part of the "house of slavery". - 2. Cultural and political reasons: 2.1. Alexandria was not receptive to another "universalistic" religion; - 2.2. Alexandria was politically too unstable during the Jewish riots; - 2.3. Alexandria was being closed for Christian mission by Claudius. - 3. Mission-strategical reasons: 3.1. Alexandria had already been evangelized by anonymous Jewish Christians; - 3.2. Alexandria was evangelized by Barnabas and/or Mark after the Jerusalem Council; - 3.3. Alexandria was part of the Jewish-Christian mission. - Conclusion.

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