

We're Going To Make It

Acts 27:1,9-12, 20-26 NIV

[1] When it was decided that we would sail for Italy, Paul and some other prisoners were handed over to a centurion named Julius, who belonged to the Imperial Regiment. [9] Much time had been lost, and sailing had already become dangerous because by now it was after the Day of Atonement. So, Paul warned them, [10] "Men, I can see that our voyage is going to be disastrous and bring great loss to ship and cargo, and to our own lives also." [11] But the centurion, instead of listening to what Paul said, followed the advice of the pilot and of the owner of the ship.

[20] When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved. [21] After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: "Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss.

[22] But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed.

[23] Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me [24] and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.'

[25] So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me. [26] Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island."

.. 1. Faith (it will happen) 2. Frustration (it didn't have to happen).

"Sometimes people don't need a "Reason" why they're in the middle of a storm. They may just need "Reassurance" that God won't leave them alone in it."

Sometimes you are a casualty of someone's bad decision, but will you stick with them through it.

Revelation is more powerful than reason...

You can't fight the devil with Reason... Because sometimes you don't know the reason... Sometimes you have to go back to who God showed you He was.

Acts 28:1-8 NIV

Once safely on shore, we found out that the island was called Malta. 2 The islanders showed us unusual kindness. They built a fire and welcomed us all because it was raining and cold. 3 Paul gathered a pile of brushwood and, as he put it on the fire, a viper, driven out by the heat, fastened itself on his hand. 4 When the islanders saw the snake hanging from his hand, they said to each other, "This man must be a murderer; for though he escaped from the sea, the goddess Justice has not allowed him to live." 5 But Paul shook the snake off into the fire and suffered no ill effects. 6 The people expected him to swell up or suddenly fall dead; but after waiting a long time and seeing nothing unusual happen to him, they changed their minds and said he was a god. 7 There was an estate nearby that belonged to Publius, the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and showed us generous hospitality for three days. 8 His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him. 9 When this had happened, the rest of the sick on the island came and were cured.

-The grace of God may not prevent the consequence, but it will Always give you a place to land.

Misery or Mission.