

GOD'S GRACE IN THE STORM

Acts 27:1-44

Key Verse: 27:24

1. Read verses 1-8. What was their destination? Who was with Paul on board? Who was in command? Describe and trace the journey to Fair Havens. (What is the "lee"?)
2. Read verses 9-12. What was Paul's warning? What reasons are given for this warning? Who was Julius? Why did he not follow Paul's advice? Why didn't the majority want to stay in Fair Havens?
3. Read verses 13-20. What was the favorable beginning of the voyage toward Phoenix? What happened as they sailed along the shore of Crete? How did the storm grow in intensity? What measures did the seamen take? (What is the ship's tackle?) What did it mean that they gave up all hope?
4. Read verses 21-26. What was their situation? What did Paul do? How could he overcome fear? What promise of God did he claim for himself? What promise did he plant in their hearts? Why is it important to overcome fear?
5. Read verses 27-38. What happened on the 14th night? How did the centurion's attitude toward Paul change? How was one crisis averted? How did Paul demonstrate his shepherd's heart? How did he plant hope in their hearts?
6. Read verses 39-44. (What is the bow, the stern, foresail, anchors, rudders?) What happened to the ship? How could they all get ashore? How did Julius cowork with and protect Paul? How was God's word fulfilled?
7. How did the events in this chapter prepare Paul for the difficult events that he and the church would encounter in Rome? What do the details of this chapter show about Luke the historian?