

Acts, life in the Spirit

Acts 27

Everything Went Wrong, But it All Turned Out Right.

I. Ship's log, vs. 27:1 - 8

- Paul
- Julius
- Dr. Luke
- Aristarchus

Why is it that, even when we are doing God's will, we may encounter great difficulty?

II. A dangerous voyage, vs. 27:9-20

How often in life do we see favorable circumstances as a sign to pursue something or someone?

III. Let's win one for the skipper, vs. 27:21-26

Few of us, has any idea of the power God has committed to us through prayer.

IV. From disaster to deliverance. vs. 27:27-44

Why do shipwrecks come to us in the midst of doing the will of God?

Study / Discussion Questions:

1. What are some difficult situations you have encountered while trying to accomplish God's will?
2. What are some of the explanations people have given you for the difficulties you have encountered?
3. What are some of the wrong explanations people sometimes give for difficult times encountered by Christians?
4. How have you reconciled those difficulties?
5. What are the key beliefs you see reflected in Paul's attitudes and actions?
6. Can you think of situations where everything seemed to be going wrong but turned out right?
7. Someone once said "Christians are like tea – they aren't much good until they get into hot water". What do you think of this comment?
8. What stood out today about this passage?

Memory verse: *⁹But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.* 2 Corinthians 12:9

Next week's passage: Acts 28