

## ~ INTRO ~

ALRIGHT...

- It's amazing that after 2-years we're finally...
  - At the last two chapters of (Acts).

I'M SUPER EXCITED TO FINISH THIS BOOK...

- And put into practice... what we've learned about ministry...
  - From the early church.

NOW... TODAY...

- We see Paul's final mission... take shape.
  - And this chapter records his journey to Rome.
    - (Acts 19:21) NLT
    - (Acts 23:11) NLT

## IDEA #1 – GOSPEL TARGET

IT'S BEEN... ABOUT 3-YEARS...

- Since God told Paul of his final mission.
  - In (Acts 25:12) we read of the natural steps...
    - That put this mission in motion.
      - And Paul was finally on the way Rome.

THIS IS WHAT THE ROUTE LOOKED LIKE...

WHILE LIVING OUT GOD'S PLAN WE CAN EXPECT TWO THINGS:

- 1) To experience God's favor along the way.
  - (v.3) Paul got help in practical matters.
- 2) There will still be difficulty along the way.
  - (v.4) **Resistance can take any shape!**
    - In the book of (Job 1:19) NLT

IN THIS SCENE BEFORE US...

- It was the **wind** on the Mediterranean Sea.

(v.37) Tells us the ship Paul was on... had 276-passengers aboard.

- It was a much smaller ship, and the weather was much worse.

(Acts 27:1-44)  
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LAST MONTH (Nov. of 2024')...

- Jodi & I sailed on the northside of Crete... (v.7)
  - With seven-foot waves... on a ship carrying 1,200 people.

WE VISITED...

- The Cave of the Apocalypse on the Island of Patmos...
  - Where John wrote the book of Revelation (Rev. 1:9-11) NLT



IT'S SO EXCITING...

- That we have the opportunity and connections...
  - To visit the historical locations... that testify of our faith.

VISTING WHAT WE READ ABOUT...

- Adds a whole new level of insight to our Bible reading.

**NOTE:** We're finalizing details to take 20-people...

- On the *Footsteps of Paul Tour* (Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025).

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- If anyone is interest in going...
  - We have an interest list on the app... (sign up today).

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**CAPTURE THE BIG PICTURE: (vv.1-20)**

- Sidon (v.3)
- Around Cyprus (v.4)
- On to Myra (v.5) >>> ship change here
- Cnidus (Ni-Dus) (v.7)
- Sailed on south side of Crete
  - Fair Haven (v.8)
  - Phoenix (v.12)

(v.14) The wind gets worse...

- *Kaa-Duh* (English Claudia)

THE STORM GOT WORSE AGAIN...

- This reminds me of (Jonah 1:11-12 & 17) NKJV

JONAH RAN FROM THE CALL OF GOD ON HIS LIFE...

- And he brought trouble on the people around him.
  - How many people get hurt when we run from God?

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PAUL... WAS RUNNING INTO HIS CALL...

- And there was resistance was from the enemy!
  - But God gave protection & safety.

## **IDEA #2 – BOLD LEADERSHIP**

PAUL SPEAKS UP...

- At a time when all hope had been lost!
  - The strength of man's efforts had failed...
    - And there was no way forward.

MANY TIMES...

- Those wrestling with God have to get to the bottom...
  - Before they will listen to God.
    - (Ps. 51:17) NLT

## **IDEA #3 – PROTECTION & SAFETY**

AS WE LEARN TO WALK WITH GOD...

- Our faith is strengthened thru the difficulties we face.
- God often takes us into dead-end situations...
  - So that we remove our hands... and allow Him to take over.

## **~ IN CLOSING ~**

THE BIBLE TEACHES US TO...

- *Stand still* (Ex. 14:13) NLT
- *Sit still* (Ruth 3:18) NKJV
- *Be still* (Ps. 46:10) NKJV

POINT BEING...

- The way forward always requires us to place faith in God...
  - And not self.

AMEN!