

Acts 27:1-26

INTRODUCTION: Paul is on his way to Rome – Acts 26:32

- This is his “4th Missionary Journey” – 2 Tim. 2:9, Phil. 1:12,
Acts 23:11

27:1 – Paul ministered to these other “*captives*” – Luke 4:18

27:2 – “*Aristarchus*” was with Paul in Ephesus – Acts 19:29

27:3 – The Christians in Sidon “*encouraged*” Paul.

27:4-6 – They caught a ship headed to Rome.

27:7-8 – They stuck close to shore to avoid the dangerous winds.

27:9-10 – They sailed at the most dangerous time of the year.

- Paul advises them against going any further.

27:11-12 – They didn’t take Paul’s advise ... sometimes the
“*majority*” is WRONG!

27:13 – Circumstances indicated their decision was the right one.

- “*Life*” is like a voyage, with many “*storms*” to ship-wreck you.

- You can do what SEEMS right, or be led by God.

27:14 – A dangerous “*North-Eastern*” wind begins to blow.

27:15-16 – They haul the skiff on board.

27:17-18 – They start tossing cargo over-board to lighten the ship.

27:19-20 – Things are getting desperate ... they’re losing all hope.

27:21 – Paul says ... “*I told you so!*”

27:22-26 – Paul knew previously that he would make it to Rome.

27:23 – STORMS ... mean nothing to GOD!

27:26 – They would lose the ship, but no lives would be lost.

27:23-24 – Even in God’s will, you’re not exempt from life’s
“*storms*”.

- But, God can give you “*peace*” in the midst of life’s “*storms*”.

CONCLUSION:

- GOD ... never left Paul stranded in the boat in the storm.

- God won’t PREVENT all of life’s “*storms*”, but He will give you
“*peace*”, when you put your faith and trust in Him – 27:23