

# Acts 27

# Things to Remember when Facing a Storm

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1. Our perception is often wrong—  
Seek God
2. Take Heart—be of good cheer
3. Stay in the ship
4. Lighten the load



# Our Perception is Often Wrong

- No matter how experienced we are, or how easy the decision looks– seek God’s Face!
- What Paul perceives is wrong and this time God used the centurion to accomplish His will  
(we find out Paul was wrong in verse 22)
- Joshua 7:1-5

# Take Heart—Be of Good Cheer

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- ⦿ Raging storm?
- ⦿ Leaking ship?
- ⦿ No sun or stars for days—so no direction (lost)?
- ⦿ A crew with defeated hearts?
- ⦿ **Be of good cheer-- euthumeo?**
- ⦿ **Good cheer can only come from God in these situations**

## Galatians 5:22-23

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- But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

- **Strong's Greek Dictionary**  
**5479. χαρά chara**
- **χαρά chara *khar-ah'*** from 5463;  
cheerfulness, i.e. calm delight:—  
gladness, X greatly, (X be exceeding)  
joy(-ful, -fully, -fulness, -ous).

# Take Heart—Be of Good Cheer

- The fruit can only come from the Holy Spirit. When we are squeezed, what is on the inside will come out.
- This is how we are able to be of Good Cheer when we are in the middle of a storm.



# Stay in the Ship!

- ◉ When bad things happen in our life, it is not time to bail out of the ship. The ship is our salvation.
- ◉ Stay in Christ, walk in Him. There is protection in Him.
- ◉ Matthew 7:24-27 (not a ship but similar idea)
- ◉ Jesus is our ark of salvation

# Lighten the Load

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- What are we bearing that we have not given over to Him?
- What continues to cumber us?
- What weight are we carrying because we have not prayed?