

Storm Tossed, Ship Wrecked, Snake Bit

Coping With the Crisis

Acts 27; 28

I. The Peril On the Sea

- A. A bad decision (27:9-12)
- B. Paul's advice ignored
- C. The storm was real (27:15-20)
- D. All hope was lost ((27:20)
- E. Paul's confidence (27:21-25)
 - 1. He was calm
 - 2. He believed God
 - 3. Knew God had a plan and a purpose
- F. Panic (27:30-34)
- G. Finally land

II. The Poison in the Snake (28:1-6)

- A. Miserable but alive
- B. A viper
- C. Two false assumptions
 - 1. An evil man (vs 4)
 - 2. A god (vs 6)

D. Paul continued to be Paul (28:7-10)

III. Calm in the Crisis

- A. God's people are not immune to suffering
- B. Paul was not overwhelmed by circumstances
- C. Paul was calmly content in the crisis (Philippians 4:11-13)
 - 1. A learned skill
 - 2. A skill developed through adversity and suffering (II Corinthians 11:23-28)
 - 3. A great gain (I Timothy 6:6-11)
 - 4. Avoid spiritual shipwreck (I Timothy 1:18-19)
 - 5. No panic God has a plan and a purpose