



CELL DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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INTRODUCTION

GOD IN THE STORM IS ABOUT HOW WE SHOULD NAVIGATE IN ADVERSE CIRCUMSTANCE WE DON'T CONTROL EITHER IN OUR NATION, OUR CHURCH, OUR FAMILY OR OUR PERSONAL LIVES.

THERE ARE FOUR PRINCIPLES FROM THE STORM IN PAUL'S VOYAGE TO ROME IN ACTS 27.

1. See God in the Storm Read Acts 27: 20-26

Only Paul saw God in the storm (v 23-25, 35). Others did not. Even if voyage was one totally out of God's will. He had already warned them not to sail (v. 10) And now things had gone horribly wrong with the trip. He still saw God in it. How? We can only see God in the storm if we stop complaining. Listen to Paul: "Men, you should have listened to me and not have sailed from Crete & incurred this injury and loss. Yet now I urge you to take heart.." (ESV). He brought God's hope!

CGQ: Can God still be with us or our nation when we are embarked on a journey outside His will like what is happening now? What will dawn prayer do for us when we come together in our 40D prayer?

2. Hear God in the Storm

Not only must we know God is with us, we must hear what He is saying even when things are going wrong. God spoke to Paul in three ways. How?

Through spiritual impressions when He told Paul that disaster would follow if they sailed (v 10). Secondly, through angelic visitation (v 23-24). Thirdly through Divine assurance (v 24). What does this tell us? It tells us Paul had been praying and interceding for the lives of all those on the ship. Now God was going to grant him his prayers.

CGQ: Is hearing God difficult? Share how you have "heard" God speak to you about something that turned out as He had said. What effect did it have on your faith? What are you "hearing from God" about Malaysia?

3. Decree God's Will in the Storm

Paul began to decree God's will. He said: "There will be no loss of life. God has given me all who sail with me!" (v34) Similarly, God will save our nation because of us! But the ship- the old system of doing things through corruption, racism, intimidation, religious extremism- will break up!

4. Stay Together through the Storm

Let's Stay Together: Paul said that to the centurion (v 31). So let's pray and stand in the gap together. It is now the fifth and final year since the Julius Suubi prophecy was given in 2010. If we pray together the window of favour will continue over this land. God will do new things: in Malta, the gospel spread in the land after they landed.

CGQ: Everyone share two blessings you wish to see over Malaysia. You may share more if you want. Everyone stand up together and begin to decree aloud blessings over our nation together. Amen!