

When the Ship Sinks, but the Rock Floats

Acts 27:14-44

- Principle #1—we can expect changes in life to occur quickly
- Euraquilo—a northeast wind or variant reading—Euroclydon = "a violent agitation"
- Principle #2—just like a ship that has lost its integrity due to extra weight in the storm so is the believer entangled in sin
 - Hebrews 12:1-2—¹Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- Principle #3—no matter how grim, there is always hope—for the child of God we have a living hope
 - 1 Peter 1:3—Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born

again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

- Principle #4—God can take anything bad, terrible, or horrific, and use it for His glory while also sparing life. Though it may look bad, it could be much worse.
- Principle #5—giving thanks to God in everything allows us to humble ourselves before the Almighty and allows us to recognize His hand in the midst of trial
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18—¹⁶Rejoice always; ¹⁷ pray without ceasing; ¹⁸ in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
- Principle #6—God is faithful to His word
- Principle #7—When the ship sinks, the Rock floats
 - John 3:16-18—¹⁶"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ "For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. ¹⁸ "He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

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