

Life Group Questions and Message Notes

1. Pause for a moment to find a scripture that guides you to set sail
2. Share that verse that will help you set sail
3. What is taking the wind out of your sail?

Set Your Sail – Sailing In The Center Of God’s Will

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“Only God’s Spirit gives new life. The Spirit is like the wind that blows wherever it wants to. You can hear the wind, but you don’t know where it comes from or where it is going.”
John 3:8 (CEV)

“When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on His own but will tell you what He has heard. He will tell you about the future.”
John 16:13 (NLT)

“We struggled along the coast with great difficulty and finally arrived at Fair Havens, near the town of Lasea. We had lost a lot of time. The weather was becoming dangerous for sea travel because it was so late in the fall, and Paul spoke to the ship’s officers about it. ‘Men,’ he said, ‘I believe there is trouble ahead if we go on—shipwreck, loss of cargo, and danger to our lives as well.’” Acts 27:8-10 (NLT)

“When a good wind began to blow from the south, the men on the ship thought, ‘This is the wind we wanted, and now we have it....’” Acts 27:13a (NCV)

“But the officer in charge of the prisoners listened more to the ship’s captain and the owner than to Paul.” Acts 27:11 (NLT)

“Since the harbor was unsuitable to winter in, the majority decided that we should sail on....” Acts 27:12a (NIV)

“And since Fair Havens was an exposed harbor—a poor place to spend the winter—most of the crew wanted to go on to Phoenix, farther up the coast of Crete, and spend the winter there. Phoenix was a good harbor with only a southwest and northwest exposure.” Acts 27:12 (NLT)

“When a light wind began blowing from the south, the sailors thought they could make it. So they pulled up anchor and sailed close to the shore of Crete.” Acts 27:13 (NLT)

“But the weather changed abruptly, and a wind of typhoon strength (called a ‘northeaster’) burst across the island and blew us out to sea.” Acts 27:14 (NLT)
“The next day, as gale-force winds continued to batter the ship, the crew began throwing the cargo overboard. The following day they even took some of the ship’s gear and threw it overboard.” Acts 27:18-19 (NLT)

“The terrible storm raged for many days, blotting out the sun and the stars, until at last all hope was gone.” Acts 27:20 (NLT)

“But take courage! None of you will lose your lives, even though the ship will go down. For last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me, and he said, ‘Don’t be afraid, Paul, for you will surely stand trial before Caesar! What’s more, God in His goodness has granted safety to everyone sailing with you.’ So take courage! For I believe God. It will be just as He said.” Acts 27:22-25 (NLT)