

## **Being of Good Cheer in a Storm - Acts 27:13-38**

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Theme: Paul's example teaches us the art of giving thanks to God in the midst of a storm.  
Paul's fourth missionary journey (all expense paid)

Acts 23:11 Agreed with God, going to Rome  
27:3 found favor in centurion  
v.10 make suggestions, not followed  
v.22 Continue in belief and prayer for others  
v.27 Paul prayed for those with him, that they may see and hear his witness of faith.  
v.31 make suggestions, followed  
v.34 witnessed to and encouraged others in storm  
v.35 acted on his faith – good cheer, thankful, ate  
v.43 Paul & prisoners were spared from: storm, sword, and sea (snake)  
v.44 all saved from sea

Agree with God and His word, that we:

### **1. Belong to the King**

#### **Acts 27:21-25**

our new-birthright, our inheritance, our family position  
whose I am and whom I serve Acts 27:23  
sons of God John 1:12, Rom 8:14  
inheritance and into the kingdom Col 1 12-13  
all safe to keep that is committed to Him 2 Tim 1:12

### **2. Be of good cheer** -(take heart, be of good courage)

#### **Acts 27:21-25**

Grace of Jesus Christ, Love of the Father, communion of the Spirit 2 Cor 13:14  
God I will never leave or forsake you Heb 13:5  
love of God is shed abroad (poured into) in our hearts Rom 5:5  
“doing Ok under the circumstances”  
don't be under the circumstances, move above the circumstances  
above danger – shipmates in a storm Acts 27:22, 25, 36  
other Good Cheer's  
above fear - Jesus walking on water Matt 14:27, Mark 6:50  
above sickness - Jesus to man sick of palsy Matt 9:2  
above imprisonment - angel to Paul in prison Act 23:11  
above death – I have overcome the world - at last supper John 16:33

### **3. Be thankful in all**

#### **Acts 27: 33-36**

In everything give thanks for this is the will of God 1Thes 5:18  
let God of peace rule, be thankful Col 3:15  
enter His gates with thanksgiving Psalm 100:4-5  
were not thankful Rom 1:21

### **4. Receive His Promise**

#### **Acts 27:42-44**

all 276 (swimmers and non-swimmers) safe to land  
let God be true and every man a liar Rom 3:4  
as Abraham, he was fully persuaded, that, what He had promised he is able also to perform  
Rom 4:21  
Cast not away therefore your confidence for you have need of patience Heb 10”35-36

The ship and its cargo were lost, but all the people were saved.