Perceiving Imminent Disaster - Acts 27A

God sent His prophets to <u>Perceive Imminent Disaster</u> & to warn God's people.

We have God's Holy Spirit to lead & guide us & to warn us.

2 Corinthians 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Ephesians 4:30 And <u>grieve</u> not the holy <u>Spirit</u> of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

1 Thessalonians 5:19 Quench not the Spirit.

Summarized the trials Paul had been through & his trip now to Ceasar.

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- Many times Jesus was on a ship crossing the Sea of Galilee when the devil whipped up the waves & a storm. He said peace be still & they quieted.
- Acts 27:8 Passing it with difficulty, we came to a place called Fair Havens (a temporary shelter), near the city of Lasea.
- ISBE FAIR HAVENS far ha'-v'-nz (Kaloi Limenes): A roadstead on the South coast of Crete, about 5 miles East of Cape Matala, the most southerly point of the island. The harbor is formed by a bay, open to the East, and sheltered on the Southwest by two small islands. Here Paul waited for a considerable time (#Acts 27:9); but while it afforded good anchorage and a shelter from North and Northwest winds, "the haven was not commodious to winter in" (#Acts 27:8,12). See CRETE.
- 1 Kings 19 Summarized of Elijah fleeing Jezebel went to many places to rest till he got where God wanted him to be.
- Jonah fleeing from God's mission referred to.
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- Job 1:12,19 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath *is* in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD. 19 And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.
- 2 Corinthians 11:22,23 Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. 23 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.
- Acts 16 referred to the prision account in Philippi.
- Acts 14:19 And there came thither *certain* Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having <u>stoned</u> <u>Paul</u>, drew *him* out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

- 2 Corinthians 11:24-26 Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. 25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; 26 In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen (In Athens & Ephesis), in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren;
- Acts 9:25 Then the disciples took him by night, and let *him* down by the wall in a basket.
- 2 Timothy 4:10 For <u>Demas</u> hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is <u>departed</u> unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
- Acts 15 summarized of Paul, Barnabas, Mark, & Silas & the contraversy.
- 2 Corinthians 11:27 In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. 28 Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches.
- Matthew 7:13,14 (Jesus warns) Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
- John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- Acts 27:21,24 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss. 24 "saying, `Do not be afraid, Paul; you must be brought before Caesar; and indeed God has granted you all those who sail with you.'
- Exodus 9:20,21 He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses: 21 And he that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.
- 2 Kings 6:10 And the king of Israel (Jehoram) sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of, and saved himself there, not once nor twice.
- Proverbs 27:12 <u>A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, *and* hideth (protect) himself; *but* the simple (stupid who refuse to learn) pass on, *and* are punished.</u>
- Ezekiel 3:17-19 Son of man, I have made thee a <u>watchman unto the house</u> of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from Me. 18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his

- wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but <u>his blood will I require at thine hand</u>. 19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.
- Ezekiel 33:4 Then whosoever <u>heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh</u> <u>not warning</u>; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.
- 2 Corinthians 6:2 (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the <u>day</u> of <u>salvation</u> have I succoured thee: behold, <u>now</u> *is* the accepted time; behold, <u>now</u> *is* the <u>day</u> of <u>salvation</u>.)
- Hebrews 11:7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.
- Genesis 6-8 Summarized the account of Noah.
- Matthew 16:1-4 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired Him that He would shew them a sign from heaven. 2 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, *It will be* fair weather: for the sky is red. 3 And in the morning, *It will be* foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O *ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not *discern* the signs of the times? 4 A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.
- Our Lord cleaned out the temple twice. Matthew 21:13 And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- Matthew 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.
- Mark 16:17,18 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

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