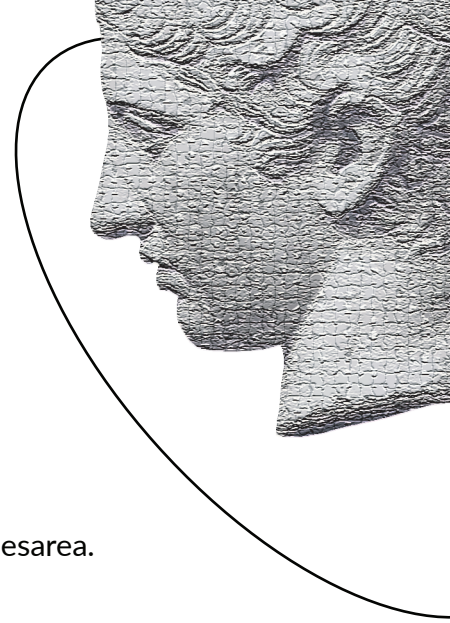


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when.

- Paul's journey to Rome took place around 59 A.D. after he spent 2 years in Caesarea.

characters.

- **Paul (Saul)** – An Apostle who was being sent to Rome to stand trial before Caesar.
- **Julius** – The Roman centurion responsible for Paul's transport to Rome.
- **276** – The number of people on board Paul's boat when it left Fair Havens.

where.

- Paul was in prison for 2 years in Caesarea. On his way to Rome to stand trial, he passed through Sidon, Myra, Cnidus, Fair Havens, and was shipwrecked in Malta.



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outline.

- PAUL IS PUT ON A SHIP DESTINED FOR ROME (27:1-20):
 - + When it was time for Paul to sail to Rome to appeal his case before Caesar, he was put on a ship with some other prisoners and sailed to Sidon.
 - + The ship sailed by Cyprus and docked in Myra in Lycia.
 - + Paul then boarded another ship departing for Cnidus.
 - + The ship sailed underneath Crete because of fierce winds and stopped at a place called Fair Havens.
 - + Paul advised the crew to harbor in Fair Havens for the winter, but they didn't listen.
 - + They set sail for the harbor in Phoenix, Crete but were blown off course by a "tempestuous wind, called the northeaster."
 - + The storm was threatening to damage the ship, so they lowered the sails and allowed themselves to be driven by the wind and waves.
 - + The next day, they started throwing the cargo overboard.
 - + After many days with no sun and no stars, they gave up hope of being saved.
- AN ANGEL APPEARS TO PAUL WITH A MESSAGE OF HOPE (27:21-26):
 - + After many days lost at sea, Paul shared some good news with the crew.
 - + An angel of God appeared to him and told him they were all going to survive, though the ship and cargo would be lost.
 - + The angel revealed the ship would run aground on an island.
- THE SHIPWRECK (27:27-44):
 - + On the 14th night, the sailors realized they were approaching land.
 - + Fearing the ship would run into rocks, they let down anchors and waited for daylight.
 - + Paul encouraged the company to eat something for strength because they had been 14 days without food.
 - + They attempted to maneuver the ship into a bay with a beach where they could run the ship aground, but they got caught on and the ship started falling apart.
 - + Everyone jumped overboard and either swam or floated on debris to the shore.
 - + All 276 passengers made it to the beach alive.

application.

- There isn't a place where God isn't.
- If God could keep track of a tiny ship in a giant sea with rough waves covered by a cloudy sky, He isn't going to lose track of you.
- God guided Paul's ship to the island using the seemingly random natural forces of the wind and waves.
- God's hand was in the wind and waves, and His hand is in the forces that impact our lives as well.

