

^{27.1} When it was judged time for us to boat to the province of Italy, they gave Paul and some others in bondage over to the hundred-leader named Julius, from the company of soldiers of the Revered One. ² After getting on a boat from Adramyttium, that was about to go throughout the province of Asia, we headed up with Aristarchus, a Macedonian from Thessalonica. ³ On a later day we were brought down to Sidon and, meeting Paul's needs with humane friendship, Julius permitted him to go to friends to obtain assistance. ⁴ From there, we boated under the province of Cyprus because the winds were opposing us. ⁵ After boating through the deep sea along the provinces of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came down to Myra of the province of Lycia. ⁶ After finding a boat there, that was going from Alexandria to the province of Italy, the hundred-leader boarded us upon it. ⁷ While slowly boating for adequate days and moving along Cnidus with difficulty, as the winds were not allowing us, we boated under the province of Crete along Salmone. ⁸ After moving along it with difficulty, we came to a place called Beautiful Harbor, which was within grasp of the city of Lasea.

⁹ After an adequate time it became a risky boat-trip because the time of going without consuming had passed and so Paul urged them, ¹⁰ saying,

“Men! I am seeing that this is about to be a boat-trip of shame and much damage, not only to the load and the boat, but also to our lives!”

¹¹ But the hundred-leader persuaded the captain and the ship's clerk more than what was being said by Paul. ¹² Because it was an unuseful harbor for passing the storms, the majority desired to be brought out from there, so they could somehow arrive at Phoenix to pass the storms in a southwest and northwest facing harbor of the province of Crete. ¹³ While they were deciding whether to restrain from this purpose, a south wind began blowing and they began moving close along the province of Crete. ¹⁴ After this, a great, smoky wind, being called the eastern-wave-maker, blew along the province of Crete. ¹⁵ The boat was apprehended and we were not able to point our eyes to the wind, so we gave in and began being pushed along. ¹⁶ While running under a small island called Cauda, we were strong enough to restrain the landing-boat with difficulty. ¹⁷ Taking the landing-boat up with ropes, they began meeting its needs and fastening it to the boat. Fearing that they would fall into the Syrtis Sands, they lowered some stuff into the sea and began being carried along. ¹⁸ The next day, while we were being stormed upon exceedingly, they were throwing things out ¹⁹ and, on the third day, they hurled the boat's stuff out with their own hands. ²⁰ With the sun and stars not appearing for many days while a considerable storm was pressing upon us, all the rest of our hope of being rescued began being taken away. ²¹ With many possessing no grain, Paul stood in the midst of them and said,

“It was necessary, men, after not being persuaded by my leadership, to be brought up from the province of Crete and to endure this shame and damage. ²² Now I am urging you to be passionate, for no life among you will be thrown away, only the boat. ²³ For a messenger of the the Creator, I AM, to whom I am giving allegiance, stood before me this night, ²⁴ saying,

‘Do not fear, Paul! It is necessary for you to stand before the Emperor. Look! the Creator has been generous to you and all those boating with you.’

²⁵ Therefore, be passionate men! For I trust the Creator! It will be according to what has been spoken to me. ²⁶ But it is necessary for us to fall onto some island.”

²⁷ During the middle of the fourteenth night, while we were being carried through into the Adriatic Sea, the sailors began supposing we had been brought to some land. ²⁸ Dropping a line, they found a depth of twenty wingspans. Standing apart for a little while and then again dropping a line, they found a depth of fifteen wingspans. ²⁹ Fearing that they would fall along the jagged places, they hurled four anchors from the rear and began praying for day to come. ³⁰ The sailors were seeking to flee from the boat and so they lowered the landing-boat to the sea, as an appearance of being about to extend anchors from the front. ³¹ Paul said to the hundred-leader and to the soldiers,

“If these do not remain on the boat, you will not be able to be rescued!”

³² Then the soldiers cut the cords of the landing-boat and they allowed it to fall off. ³³ As day was about to come, Paul began exhorting everyone so they might share food, saying,

“Today is the fourteenth day you have gone without grain and have taken nothing in because of expectation. ³⁴ Therefore, I am exhorting you so you might share food—for you will be rescued! Not a hair from your heads will be destroyed!”

³⁵ After saying these things and taking bread, Paul thanked the Creator in the sight of them all and, breaking it, he began to eat. ³⁶ Becoming passionate, everyone else also took food for themselves. ³⁷ There were two hundred seventy six lives on the boat in all. ³⁸ After being satisfied with food, they began lightening the boat by throwing the grain out into the sea. ³⁹ When it became day, they were not recognizing the land, but they did observe a side having a beach. They began deliberating if they would be able to expel the boat onto the beach. ⁴⁰ So they abandoned the anchors in the sea, while at the same time they loosened the links to the rudders. Lifting up the top-sail to the wind, they began holding it toward the beach. ⁴¹ But falling into a place of divided sea, they drove the ship upon ground. After the front got stuck, they remained without being overthrown, but the rear began being released by the force of the swells. ⁴² The desire of the soldiers was to kill those in bondage so no one could escape by swimming off. ⁴³ But the hundred-leader, desiring to rescue Paul, prevented them. He first instructed those being able to swim to hurl themselves down and go out upon the earth. ⁴⁴ Then he instructed the rest to go upon planks and pieces of the boat. As such, they were all rescued upon the earth.