A Different Way of Seeing | Acts 27-28 | March 24, 2024

Seeing the destination: What God has said, He will do.

What God had said to Paul:

What has God promised us?

Seeing the journey: The whole journey is full of <u>meaning</u>, even when it is exceedingly <u>difficult</u>.

Paul's journey:

"If God sends us on strong paths, we are provided strong shoes." – Corrie Ten Boom

God, in His sovereign will, is always arranging opportunities...

- ✓ For His people
- ✓ To share His <u>love</u>

✓ For His greater <u>purpose</u>.

For Further Reflection & Discussion

- ➔ Be sure to read all of Acts 27-28. It is a marvelous, descriptive accounting of how God took Paul to Rome.
- ➔ Underline all the ways Paul was having influence on people despite the adverse circumstances and hardships.
- 1. What are God's promises about our destination?
- 2. How are God's specific promises for our journey different than His promises about our destination?
- 3. What are some ways that faulty "health and wealth" ideas can creep into a biblical perspective about our journey?
- In 27:23, Paul referred to God as "the God to whom I belong and whom I serve." Paul saw himself as belonging to God.
 Also considering 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, describe how this perspective opened up opportunities for Paul.
- 5. How would the opportunities have been different if Paul didn't have this perspective?
- 6. Each season and station in life brings unique opportunities for Gospel witness. Spend time connecting your current season and station in life with specific opportunities for Gospel witness God has given you?
- → Listen to a speech by Corrie Ten Boom entitled "God's Perfect Logistics," searchable on youtube. Link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=suSr1dV-gVw</u>