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Title: Storm Survival 101
Passage Acts 27:19-41

Context for understand Acts 27

- Resolve: Paul is focused on ending the beginning of the church well.
- Roller coasters: Paul went from speaking to top officials to being stranded on obscure islands all in the blink of an eye.
- Regrets: His shipmates take a major short cut to save time and money that causes them to head into a storm.

What was Paul's strategy for getting out of the storm alive?

Read Acts 27:19-41 (NIV)

1. Shed Everything (Except Courage)

Nothing clarifies priorities like a good storm.

v.19 On the third day, they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands.

What is God asking you to shed so you can move out of the storm?

2. Be Practical (and Prayerful)

A storm clarifies what works and what is hype.

v. 34 "Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive."

What simple step is God asking you to do to move out of the storm?

3. Don't Cling (ride the wreckage to safety)

Chaos and new creation are always related.

v. 41 The bow stuck fast and would not move, and the stern was broken to pieces by the pounding of the surf.

What opportunity does God want you to see in this storm?

Final thought v. 40 "they hoisted the foresail to the wind and made for the beach"