



#### Acts 27: 41-44 CRASH LANDING

<sup>41</sup> But the ship struck a sandbar and ran aground. The bow struck fast and would not move, and the stern was broken to pieces by the pounding of the surf.

<sup>42</sup> The soldiers wanted to kill the prisoners to make sure they didn't swim ashore and escape.

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<sup>43</sup> But the commanding officer wanted to spare Paul, so he didn't let them carry out their plan. Then he ordered all who could swim to jump overboard first and make for land.

<sup>44</sup> The others held on to planks or debris from the broken ship. So everyone escaped safely to shore.

### Acts 28: 1 - 2 MALTA WELCOME

Once we were safe on shore, we learned that we were on the island of Malta.

<sup>2</sup> The islanders showed us unusual kindness. It was cold and rainy, so they built a fire on the shore to welcome us.

MALTA = REFUGE

### Acts 28: 3 - 6 **SNAKE BITTEN**

3 Paul gathered a pile of brushwood and as he put it on the fire, a viper, driven out by the heat fastened itself on his hand.

4 When the islanders saw the snake hanging from his hand, they said to each other: "This man must be a murder, for though he escaped the sea, Justice has not allowed him to live."

### Acts 28: 3 - 6 **SNAKE BITTEN**

<sup>5</sup> But Paul <u>Shook off the snake</u> into the fire and was unharmed.

<sup>6</sup> The people waited for him to swell up or suddenly drop dead. But when they had waited a long time and saw that he wasn't harmed, they changed their minds and decided he was a god.

## God Can Use

### ALL OUR STORMS & SNAKE BITES

For His Glory

### Acts 28: 7 - 8 **PRAYER & HEALING**

<sup>7</sup> Near the shore where we landed was an estate belonging to Publius, the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and for three days entertained us hospitably.

<sup>8</sup> As it happened, Publius's father was ill with fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and after prayer placed his hands on him and healed him.

### Acts 28: 9-10 **PRAYER & HEALING**

- <sup>9</sup> Then all the other sick people on the island came and were healed.
- <sup>10</sup> As a result we were showered with honors, and when the time came to sail, people supplied us with everything we would need for the trip.

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