

"The Never-Ending Story" Acts 28 October 29, 2023 Pastor Bear Clifton

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." – Jesus in Acts 1:8

The Shipwreck – Acts 27:13-44

Two lessons:

Life is always filled with ______.

▹ ______ is always with us when we go through storms.

The Natives (Barbaroi) of Malta – Acts 28:1-11

1. How do we know that the natives of Malta are likely to be tender to the gospel?

2. What's interesting about how Luke writes this story is that Paul never once is described doing something? What is it?

3. What does he do instead?

4. What's the lesson here for us?

5. What's unique about our Journey project that reflects this?

The Christians In Rome – Acts 28:12-16

1. What's cool about the fact that Christians in Rome are waiting to greet Paul?

2. A big lesson we can take away from these verses is this:

The growth of Christianity will	, becaus	e is the one
• •	who builds the church.	

3. Over the last 2,000 years of church history, what do we observe about the strategic epicenter of the global church?

4. Does Jesus need Paul, need the United States, need me? What then?

The Jews In Rome – Acts 28:17-28

1. What have we noticed in *Acts* about most of the Jews when they hear the gospel? Why doesn't this make any sense on one level?

2. In Romans 9 to 11 Paul wrestles with why his own people have largely rejected the gospel of Christ. What prophetic insight does the Lord give to Paul about why this has happened?

3. What part of this should be of great interest to us today?

4. What does Jesus tell us to do in response to these things?

At Last We Come To The Ending – Acts 28:30-31

1. What's odd about the ending?

2. What point might the Holy Spirit be making here?

What are a few lessons, truths, and encouragements that I have received from the book of Acts this year?