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- Paul would not travel to Rome alone.
- Luke was with him (vs. 1), as well as another Christian named Aristarchus (vs. 2; Colossians 4:10).
- Let us remember that Paul was still a prisoner and on this journey he was in the custody of a centurion named Julius (vss. 1, 3).

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- The trip began north (75 miles) to Sidon. Here Paul had special freedom from Julius to spend time with his friends (vs. 3).
- Due to contrary winds, the ship sailed northeast of Cyprus (vs. 4).



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- They sailed along the coast of Cilicia and Pamphylia and landed at Myra in Lycia (vs. 5).
- After switching ships, they sailed between Cnidus, Rhodes, and southward towards Crete (vss. 6-7).
- They came to a place called "Fair Havens" near Lasea.







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- Sea travel on the Mediterranean was very dangerous during this time of the year (vs. 9).
- Paul advised the crew to delay the journey so that they didn't risk losing lives and cargo (vs. 10).
- The centurion ignored Paul's warning. He wanted to spend the winter at the Phoenix (vss. 11-12).

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- Due to a violent wind named “Euraquilo” the ship was driven off course (vss. 13-15).
- They found shelter at Clauda. There they were barely able to get control of the ship (vss. 16-19).
- The violent winds carried the ship across the sea for two weeks!







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- The crew started to unload cargo in the sea to lighten their load.
- The experience of the storm was so severe that they did not see the sun or stars for many days (vs. 20).
- Paul gave the crew a hopeful message. An angel assured him that everyone on the ship would survive (vss. 21-26).



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- As the ship continued towards Malta, some stressful events started to occur.
- After fasting for 14 days, Paul is able to encourage the men to eat (vss. 35-36).
- The ship strikes a reef, forcing it aground (vs. 41).



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- The soldiers attempted to kill the prisoners so they could not escape, but the centurion prevented them (vss. 42-43). This was out of kindness to Paul.
- Everyone was instructed to swim or float on boards to the land (vss. 43-44). As God promised, every person on the ship survived!

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## Acts 28

- Malta is an island only 17 miles wide.
- It was inhabited. The natives were very kind and hospitable to Paul and his companions (vss. 1-2, 10).
- In the cold and rainy weather the natives provided them a fire, out of which a viper came out!





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- The viper fastened onto Paul's hand (vs. 3). The natives took this to mean that Paul was surely a bad man (vs. 4).
- When Paul miraculously healed himself, they then thought he was a god (vss. 5-6).







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## Acts 28

- Paul and his travel companions stayed on Malta for three months.
- During this time, Paul performed many miracles.
- He healed Publius' (the lead man of the island) father.
- The purpose of Paul's miracles are stated in Mark 16:15-20.



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- After a three month stay on Malta, Paul and Luke began the last leg of the journey to Rome (vs. 11).
- They quickly reached Syracuse, then Rhegium, then Puteoli where they disembarked the ship (vss. 12-13). Here Paul found brethren and was able to stay with them for seven days (vs. 14).



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- The brethren in Rome heard that Paul was approaching, so they went out to meet him.
- “And the brethren, when they heard about us, came from there as far as the Market of Appius and Three Inns to meet us; and when Paul saw them, he thanked God and took courage” (vs. 15).

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- Paul made it to Rome in chains in order to stand trial before Caesar.
- He spent most of his time preaching the gospel (vss. 16-31).
- He is able to have his own rented house. He is also able to have visitors (Luke is still with him).





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## Acts 28

- During his two year stay in Rome, Paul wrote at least four letters to the brethren.
- He met with the Jewish leaders in Rome (vss. 17-22).
- One day many Jews came to Paul's home to hear him explain the kingdom of God (vs. 23).





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- Paul tried to persuade them that Jesus is the fulfillment of the Law and Prophets (vs. 23).
- The Jews were divided over Paul's preaching (vss. 24-29).
- Paul is given much liberty to continue preaching over the next two years (vss. 30-31).



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# Paul's Letters

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