## FEBRUARY 22

## "GOD DOESN'T MAKE IT EASY, BUT HE DOES MAKE A WAY."

## READ

Acts 27:13-44

Do you believe that everything God said will come to pass? "God is going to bring you through this, there will be no loss of life." Paul said this in the midst of the worst storm he had ever been in, to men scared to death. Things unfolded just the way Paul told them it would happen. Not a single life was lost. I'm not here to tell you that they gently bumped into the banks, or slid up softly on the beach. No sir. I'm here to tell you that the ship was torn all to pieces. God didn't come to their rescue and airlift them to shore. He allowed them to float to safety on splintered planks. And that's what God will do for you. So when you finally end up on the beach, and you've thrown up all that salt water, and when the sun finally does come out, you are tired and weary, but you are alive. We know that there is a God in heaven who does not make it easy, but He does make a way for us. God in His goodness lets these storms arise. He designs them so all you can say is "Give me Jesus." Take the skiff, the tackle, the food, everything; just give me Jesus.

## PRAY

Lord, You say in Your Word, "Don't be afraid." Even if everything has been thrown overboard and I have only You, I have all I need. When the ship is rocking to and fro, You are an anchor for my soul — sure and steadfast.

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