

What Revival Looks Like

HOW REVIVAL ACTS

Acts 27:16-29



FIRED UP

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17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and, fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.

18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next *day* they lightened the ship;

19 And the third *day* we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.

20 And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on *us*, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.

21 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of *any man's* life among you, but of the ship.

23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,

24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for **I believe God**, that it shall be even as it was told me.

26 Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island.

27 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country;

28 And sounded, and found *it* twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found *it* fifteen fathoms.

29 Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.

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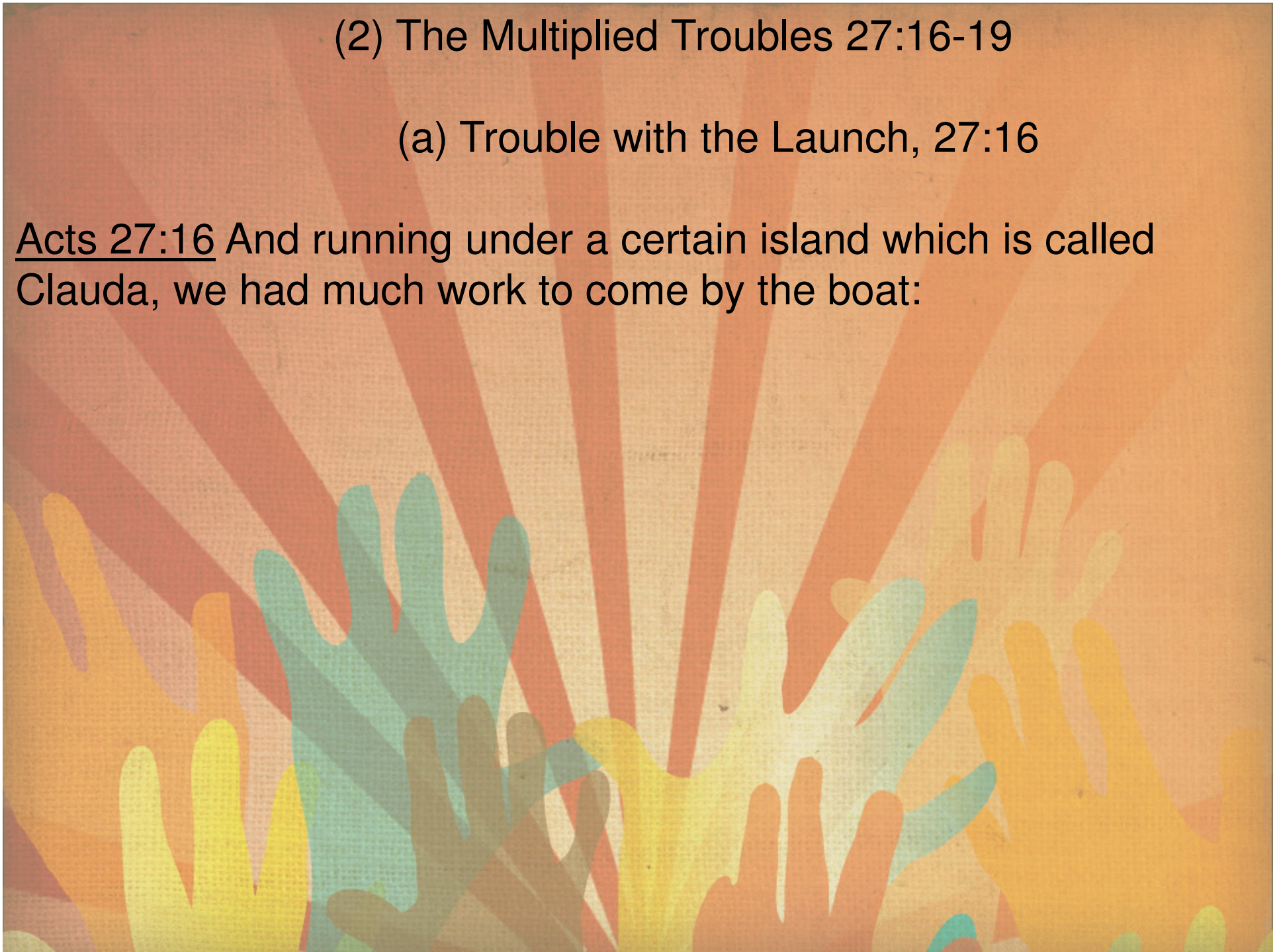


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(2) The Multiplied Troubles 27:16-19

(a) Trouble with the Launch, 27:16

Acts 27:16 And running under a certain island which is called Clauda, we had much work to come by the boat:



PAUL'S VOYAGE TO TRIAL IN ROME: about 6 months, 2000 miles (3200 km)



(b) Trouble with the Leakages, 27:17a “Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship...”

(c) Trouble with the Location, 27:17b “...and, fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.”

(d) Trouble with the Lading, 27:18-19

Acts 27:18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next *day* they lightened the ship;
19 And the third *day* we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.

4. The Stress, 27:20-29

a. Fading Hope, 27:20

Acts 27:20 And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on *us*, **all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.**

Jer. 18:12 And they said, **There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart.**

Job 8:13 **So *are* the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish:**

14 **Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust *shall be* a spider's web.**

Psa 42:5 **Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and *why* art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him *for* the help of his countenance.**

Heb. 6:19 Which *hope* we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;

"What the caterpillar calls the end of the world the master calls a butterfly." --Richard Bach

<https://www.quora.com/What-the-caterpillar-calls-the-end-of-the-world-the-master-calls-a-butterfly-is-a-saying-from-the-book-Illusions-What-does-it-actually-mean>



<https://www.wealthspread.com/2013/01/17/butterfly-inspiration/>

b. Fresh Heart, 27:21-26

(1) A Note of Chastening, 27:21

Acts 27:21 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

(2) A Note of Cheer, 27:22-24

(a) God's Promise, 27:22

Acts 27:22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of *any man's* life among you, but of the ship.

Heb. 6:18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was impossible for God to lie*, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

(b) God's Purposes, 27:23-24a "For there stood by me this night **the angel of God**, whose I am, and whom I serve, 24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar..."

"...the angel of God..." = a *Christophany*

Ex. 3:2 And **the angel of the LORD** appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was not consumed*...

4 And when **the LORD** saw that he turned aside to see, **God called unto him out of the midst of the bush**, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am I*.

(c) God's Presence, 27:24b "...and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee."

(3) A Note of Challenge, 27:25-26

Acts 27:25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

26 Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island.

c. Further Horror, 27:27-29

(1) What They Deemed, 27:27

Acts 27:27 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country;



<http://www.comunionfire.com/jesus/the-communionfire-commentary-on-the-book-of-acts-chapter-twenty-seven-eight>

(2) What They Discovered, 27:28

Acts 27:28 And sounded, and found *it* twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found *it* fifteen fathoms.

Original Word: βολίζω

Transliteration: bolizó

Usage: I cast the line (for sounding), I sound.

<https://biblehub.com/greek/1001.htm>

(3) What They Desired, 27:29

Acts 27:29 Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.

Conclusion

Rom. 12:9 *Let* love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

10 *Be* kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

12 **Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;**

13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

16 *Be* of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.