How to Revive and Thrive in Faith in a Tough Situation -Acts 27

Test pilots have a litmus test for evaluating problems. When something goes wrong, they ask, "Is this thing still flying?" If the answer is yes, then there's no immediate danger, no need to overreact. When Apollo 12 took off, the spacecraft was hit by lightning. The entire console began to glow with orange and red trouble lights. There was a temptation to "Do Something!" But the pilots asked themselves, "Is this thing still flying in the right direction?" The answer was yes--it was headed for the moon. They let the lights glow as they addressed the individual problems, and watched orange and red lights blink out, one by one. That's something to think about in any pressure situation. If your thing is still flying, think first, and then act. -Capt. Alan Bean, USN, Apollo Astronaut, in Reader's Digest.

1. Learn Lesson-

- o If God Allows Tough Times- Always a Lesson
- o When you can't see God's hand, you can trust His heart. (20-25)

2. Learn <u>Listen</u>

- o <u>Listen</u> to the <u>Word of God.</u>
- You never know the complete truth about any situation until you hear from Him. (26)

3. Learn <u>Lean</u>

- O Don't panic and take matters into your own hands.
- o God's Word is the **truth regardless** of the **circumstances**.
- **Keep trusting** the Lord along the way. (27-32)

4. Learn Live

o **Don't stop living**. You need strength to continue on. (33-38)

5. Learn Let(release) Go let God

- o Let God have the boat and let Him be the sole pilot.
- o If He wants to wreck it, let Him. He really does know what He's doing. (39-41)

6. Learn Look

- Look for the way of escape God has provided I Cor. 10:13
- o It will always be there even though it may not be the way you pictured it. (42-44)

"It's Because of my Anointing" and "I am on my way!"

And don't you know that some of them thought that the attack was due to some sin that The Apostle Paul committed.

It's because they are on the outside looking in. They don't understand that the sufferings of this old world cannot be compare to the glory, reveal in us.

So I'm going to find myself like Job. "Job said but he knows the way that I take and when he has tired me I Shall Come Forth As Pure Gold". So I'm willing to

- o go through whatever I have to show His Glory!!!
- o v41, "where two seas met" -place of No PEACE, Place OF No Go! -Rush -Suction -Whirlpool -place
 of violence/ unevenness -forms sandbar -Broke up the only thing left(standing bet. them / storm)
 the boat
- Melita- 18 miles long x 8 miles wide -imposs to hit w/out proper navigation --But God guided them thru 500 mi. of turbulent waters