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Paul's journey and trials

Acts 13-14; 16; 20-21; 25; 27-28



Paul believed that God wanted him to tell Gentiles about Jesus. So he made three trips through Syria, Turkey, and Greece. Many people believed in Jesus, and many churches were started.





Years later, Paul returned to Jerusalem. Some people were upset by his teaching and attacked him. He was unfairly arrested. Since Paul was a Roman citizen, he asked for his trial to be in Rome.





Paul was put on a boat headed for Rome. The trip was slow. "Let's wait in Crete until the stormy season is over," Paul suggested. The captain sailed ahead anyway.





There was a huge storm. Everyone thought they would die. But an angel told Paul that they would all be saved, and he would get to Rome. Paul told the others.





Someone spotted land. The sailors planned to abandon ship and let the others die. Paul warned: "You will survive only if everyone stays aboard." The boat crashed on an island called Malta.





The soldiers were afraid of being punished if the prisoners escaped. So they decided to kill them. But their commander liked Paul, so he ordered his men to let them live.





They staggered ashore. Just as Paul had said, everyone was alive! The ruler of Malta let them stay with him. His father was sick. When Paul prayed for him, God healed him.





They boarded another ship and went to Rome, where Paul was chained in a house. While there, he wrote letters to teach the new churches around the world. You can still read his letters in the Bible!

