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In this Newsletter I am pointing you to Luke. You are getting your answers from God **through** Luke. We can say of Luke what Paul said of Abel in Hebrews 11:4 “and by it he being dead yet speaketh.”

Luke is first a preacher of the Gospel. Luke then became God’s Official Recorder of New Testament History. He started out as a preacher in Philippi. He went with Paul to Jerusalem and became acquainted with the brethren of the Council in Jerusalem and then the saints at street level. His writings cover more history than any other writer in the New Testament. He starts in BC 5 and continues until about 70 AD. The first 45 years of history he obtained from eyewitnesses and most of the next 25 years he observed himself. God confirmed all of it with His oath of “Surely I Did This” when He inspired Luke to write it to be put in His Bible. All Scripture is given by the inspiration of God.

Luke is as valuable to us as any Apostle. He is a teacher and a preacher. Luke was called to preach in Acts 16:10 – assuredly gathering the Lord had called us for to preach. **Be aware - Behold - Lay eyes on - See with attention ~ Luke is preaching to us.** In Acts 27 Luke is not just telling a story about a shipwreck. **Luke was there. He is telling what God did for him and Paul.** He is preaching God’s concern for us.

#### **Luke and the storms of life.**

Acts 27:13 And when **the south wind blew softly**, supposing that they (the Ship Crew) had obtained their purpose, loosing thence, they sailed close by Crete.

14 ***But not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon.***

15 And when the ship was caught, and **could not bear up** into the wind, **we (Luke) let her drive.**

Acts 27:19 And the third day we cast out **with our own hands** (Luke) the tackling of the ship.

Acts 27:40 And when they had taken up the anchors, they **committed themselves** unto the sea, and loosed the rudder bands, and hoisted up the mainsail to the wind, **and made toward shore.**

In our storms of life we must release the Rudder. Let God steer the ship. The Winds are trying to blow us away from God. Don’t lose your sense of direction. Keep your eyes on Heaven.

Acts 23:11 And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

Luke later recorded in Acts 28:16 “And when **we** came to Rome – .” They safely made it.

Luke has been mightily used of God in his day and is still doing damage to Satan in our day. The inspiration of God in the Book of Luke and the Book of Acts continues into our day. People are still repenting, being baptized in Jesus Name and receiving the Holy Ghost speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives them utterance. That Spirit that kept Luke and Paul in the storm called Euroclydon will keep us courageous and safe through the storms ahead of us. The Words from God are: **Be of good cheer!** Feeling sorry for yourself weakens you. Quoting scripture strengthens you. Prepare for the days ahead by memorizing scriptures.

Philippians 2:4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

Psalms 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.