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What God Wants The Church To Remember

Acts 27-28

I. God wants us to remember: His Holy Spirit has to be followed.

A. God speaks to Paul concerning the voyage to Rome. (Acts 27:9-12)

Christians often do two things concerning the Holy Spirit when they are not filled with the Holy Spirit:

- They grieve the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 4:30)
- They quench the Holy Spirit. (1 Thessalonians 5:19)
 - B. How do I know I am walking in the Holy Spirit?
 1. God's Spirit fills us with comfort. (John 14:16)
 2. God's Spirit gives us caution. (Acts 16:17)
 3. God's Spirit gives us confidence.
 - C. How do I get what Paul had?

The Bible says we are to pray and ask God to fill us and help us to yield.

- Yield – Remove hindrances.
- Pray – Ask God to fill me.
- Believe it.

II. God wants us to remember: His Holy Spirit always agrees with God's Word.

A. God's spirit will never guide you contrary to God's Word. (Acts 27:22)

B. Three kinds of storms in life: (1) Those we bring upon ourselves, (2) Those God brings in our life, (3) Those other people bring into our life.

- C. How do storms affect lost peoples lives?
1. Storms cause us to drift.
 2. Storms cause us to have discard.
 3. Storms cause us to despair.

III. God wants us to remember: His servants are provided for. (Acts 27:29)

What should we hold on to during the storms of life:

- A. Anchor in God's presence. (Acts 27:23)
- B. Anchor in God's purpose. (Acts 27:24)
- C. Anchor in God's promise.

Three things that storms cannot do to believers:

- Storms cannot hide us from God's face.
- Storms cannot change God's plan and purpose.
- Storms cannot destroy the child of God.

IV. God wants us to remember: His Son must be proclaimed. (Acts 28:8-14)