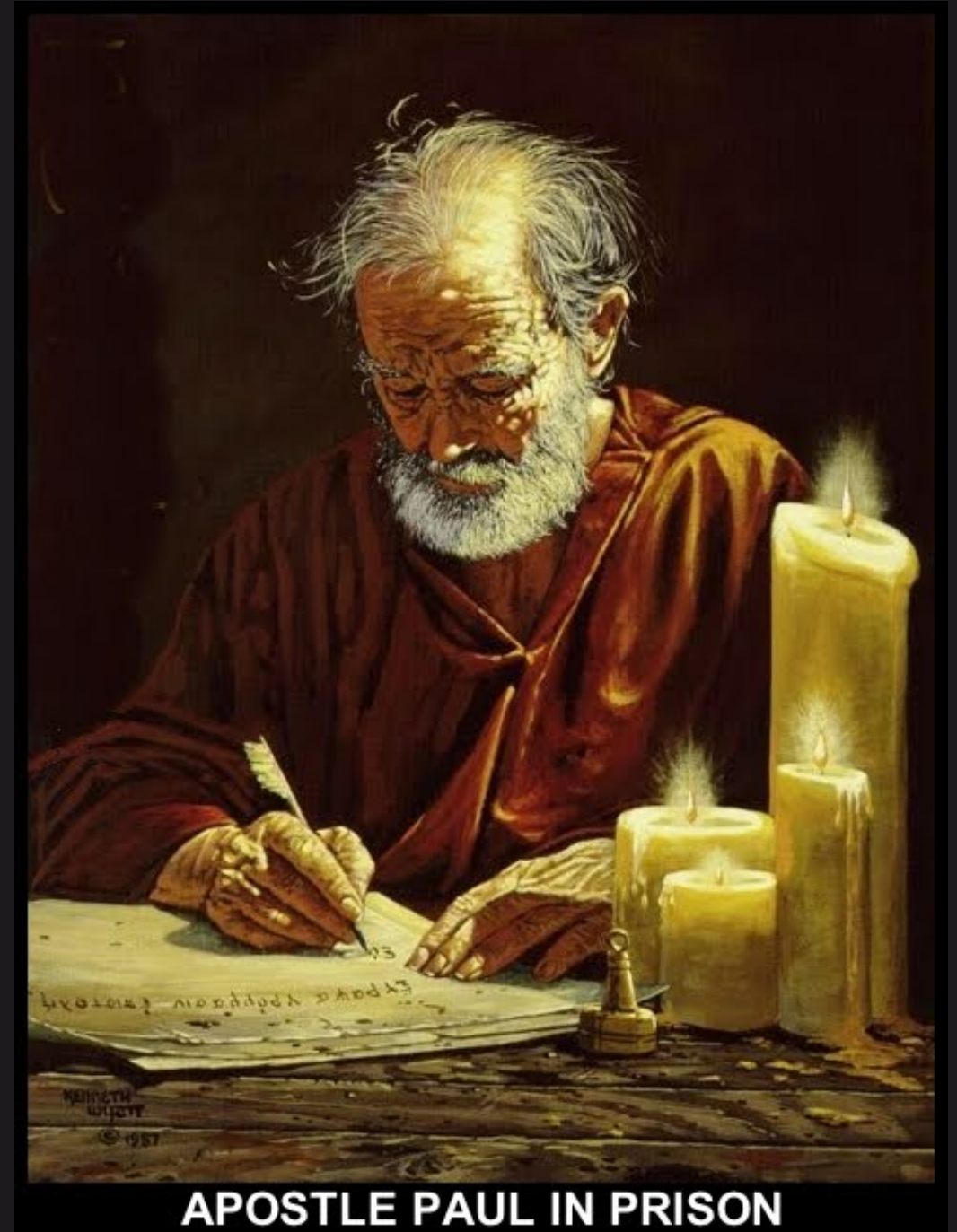


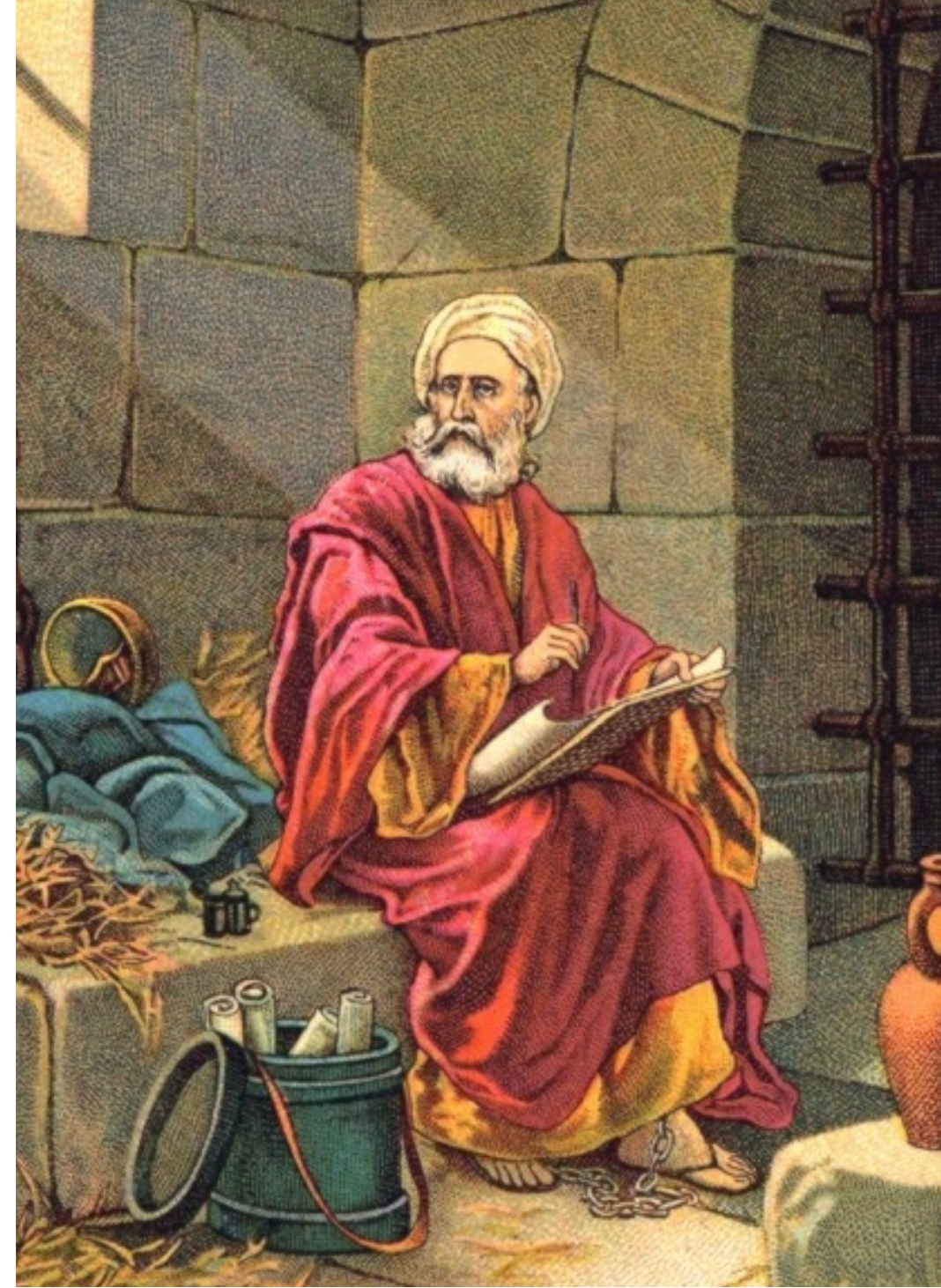
*BE BRAVE!
BE HAPPY!
BE READY!
BE RIGHT!*

Lessons from the Life of Paul



Timeline of Paul's Life

- Paul at Damascus 37-40 AD
- First Journey 45-47 AD
- Second Journey 51-53 AD
- Third Journey 54-58 AD
- Imprisonment in Judea 58-60 AD
- Voyage to Rome 60-61 AD
- Imprisonment in Rome 61-63 AD
- Post-Imprisonment Journeys 63-67 AD



But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; for I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." (Acts 9:15-16 RSV)

Scripture Reference

- Acts 21:17–28:31

Date

- ~ AD 57–62

Travelers

- Paul, Roman guards, Luke, others

Main Route

- Israel, Lebanon, Turkey, Crete, Malta, Sicily, Italy (2,250 miles; 3,621 km)

Historical Chronology of Acts		
Event	Record	Year (AD)
Paul arrested in Jerusalem	Acts 21:26-22:29	57
Paul in prison at Caesarea	Acts 23:23-26-32	57-59
Paul travels to Rome	Acts 27:1-28:10	60
Paul reaches Rome and ministers under house arrest	Acts 28:11-31	62-64
Writes prison letters; Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon		64
Luke writes Acts		66
Paul & Peter killed for their Faith in Rome		

The following night the Lord stood by him and said, "Take courage, for as you have testified about me at Jerusalem, so you must bear witness also at Rome." (Acts 23:11 RSV)



1. JERUSALEM

The Roman commander arrests Paul to save him from a Jewish mob. When the commander learns of a death threat against Paul, he orders an armed escort to take him to Caesarea.



2. ANTIPATRIS, CAESAREA

Paul is tried before Felix,
the governor of Judea.
Felix leaves Paul in prison
for two years, and he is
tried again before Festus,
who was appointed
governor after Felix.

3. SIDON

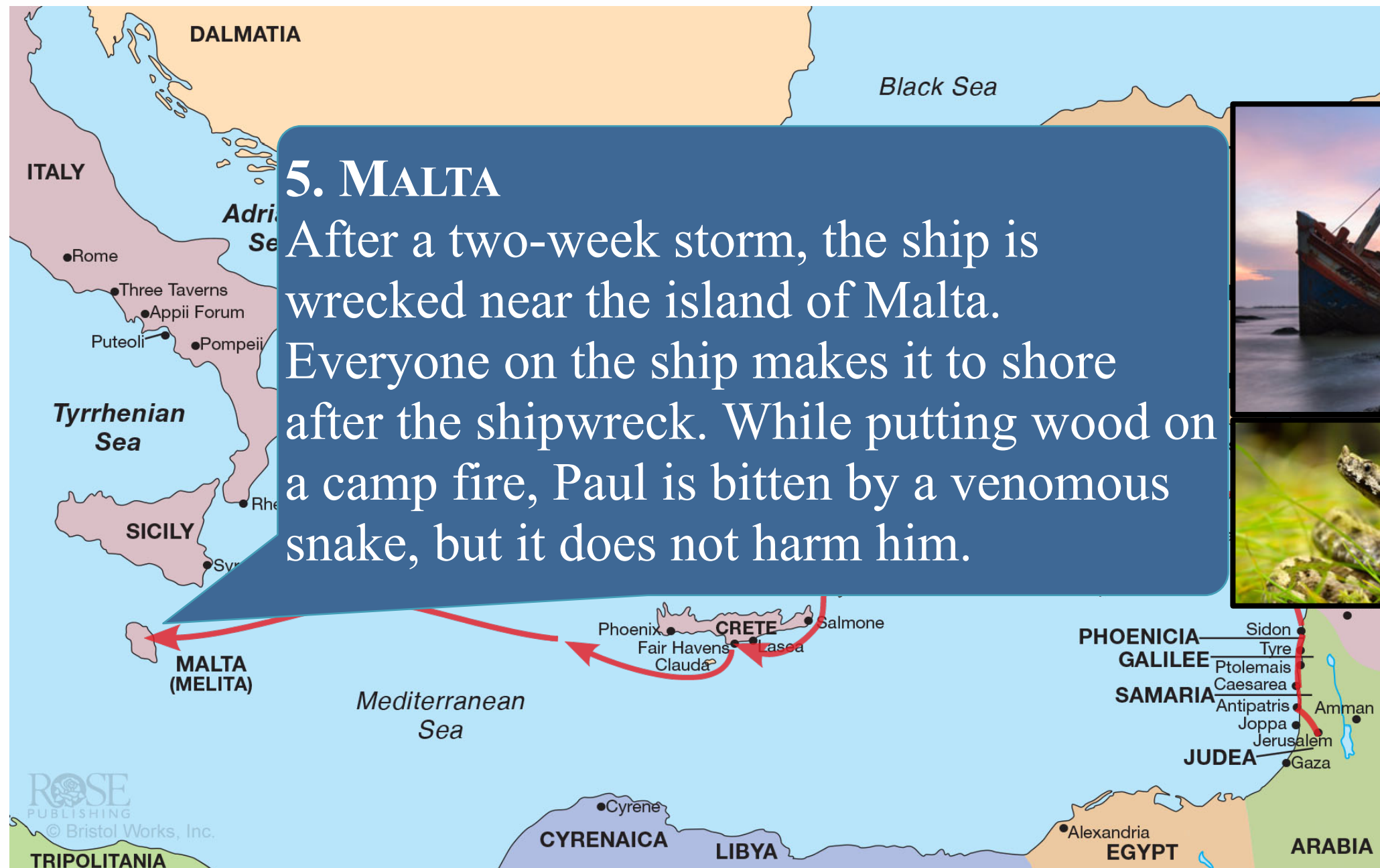
The centurion in charge of Paul lets him visit with friends here. Then Paul boarded a ship, and set sail for Italy.





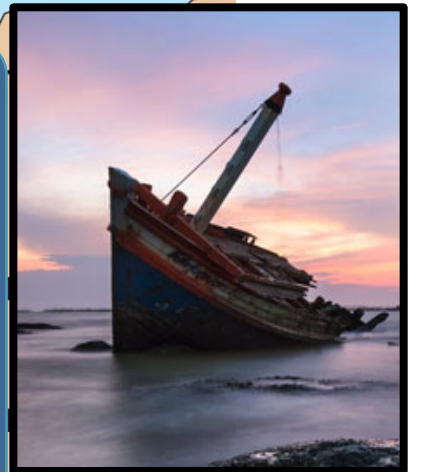
4. MYRA, CRETE
Paul recommends that the ship stay in safe harbor, but the centurion orders the ship to sail on.





5. MALTA

After a two-week storm, the ship is wrecked near the island of Malta. Everyone on the ship makes it to shore after the shipwreck. While putting wood on a camp fire, Paul is bitten by a venomous snake, but it does not harm him.



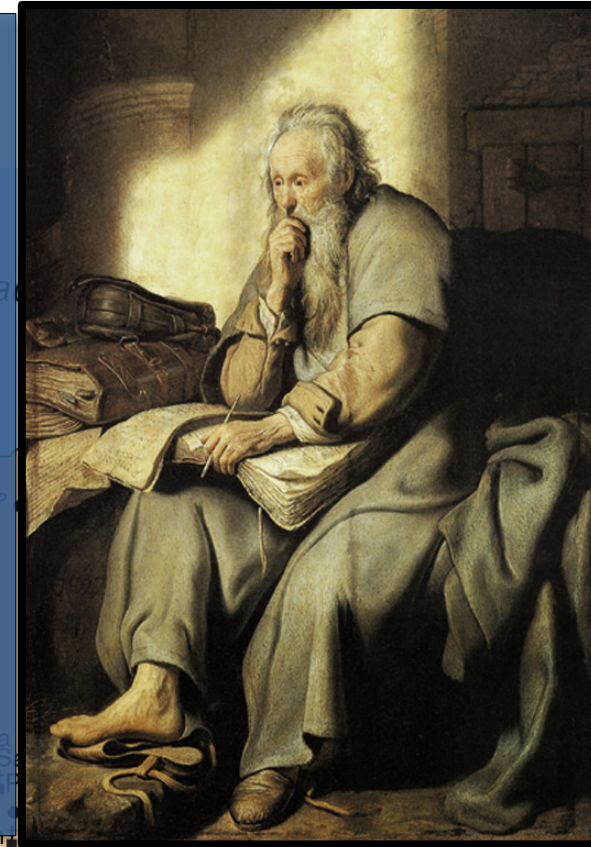
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7. APPI FORUM, THREE TAVERNS Paul is met by Christians from Rome.



8. ROME

Paul remains under house arrest for two years, where he writes Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon, and Philippians.



1. What kept Paul going during this time of great distress and turmoil in his life?

*After some days Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was a Jewess; and he sent for Paul and heard him speak upon faith in Christ Jesus.
(Acts 24:24 RSV)*

2. Why did Paul keep preaching about faith in Jesus even in chains?

3. How did Paul keep his faith in God?

4. What kept Paul from giving up?

5. What was Paul's secret?



- 1. Paul had a Sense of Personal Unworthiness**
- 2. Paul had Singleness of Purpose**
- 3. Paul was Able to Forget:**
 - a) A noble ancestry (Phil. 3:5)**
 - b) A respectable religion in which he profited (Gal. 1:14)**
 - c) His miserable mistakes (Acts 8)**
- 4. Paul had a Spirit of Progress**

