



Our Story



God created us with a soul

He desires to be our soul's mate

**We are struggling because we are
dealing with sick souls**

Broken Environment

It's our sin that broke it

SOUL

of the
Matter

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

Mark 12:30



Medicated?



Healed?



What do You Need?



We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.

Hebrews 6:19





RESCUED!



The Anchor



We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf.



Hebrews 6:19-20

The Anchor



Be Still!

**Anchors attach
to something
I can't see**





Lowering the Anchors

(Acts 27:27-31)

The Before

The apostle Paul has been arrested and is headed for trial in Rome

They are on a boat

The boat has encountered a major storm

The crew has now been battling the storm for two weeks

They have done everything in their physical power to keep the boat afloat



Lost Hope

*Hope is the chain that connects to you
Soul's Anchor*

**When neither sun nor stars appeared
for many days and the storm
continued raging, we finally gave up all
hope of being saved.**



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Life Storms



They are out of options they drop 4 anchors in the water in a last-ditch attempt to try and wait out the storm

Some decide it's time to abandon ship

To prevent the men from leaving they cut the lifeboats free setting them adrift



How can Paul a man headed to trial on board a doomed ship be so calm?



4 Soul Anchors

Anchor #1: God's People

The next day we landed at Sidon; and Julius, in kindness to Paul, allowed him to go to his friends so they might provide for his needs.

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God had somebody there to minister to Paul

Luke was along for the ride. (Us and We)

Your soul is not designed to face the storm alone

Other's can absolutely provide stability during a storm



Anchor #1: God's People

From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.



Ephesians 4:16

ALONE!



Anchor #2: God's Purpose

After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: “Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss. But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me and said, ‘Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.’



(v. 21-24)

Anchor #3: God's Promise

So, keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me. Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island.”

(v. 25-26)



God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged.

Hebrews 6:18



Anchor #4: God's Peace

Just before dawn Paul urged them all to eat. “For the last fourteen days,” he said, “you have been in constant suspense and have gone without food—you haven’t eaten anything. Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive. Not one of you will lose a single hair from his head.” After he said this, he took some bread and gave thanks to God in front of them all. Then he broke it and began to eat. They were all encouraged and ate some food themselves. Altogether there were 276 of us on board.




(v. 33-37)

Anchor #4: God's Peace

For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Philippians 1:21





The Ending

(Acts 27:39-44)



**The boat was lost
but the souls were saved!**