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HOPE WORTH HAVING

“In Christ, there is Hope Worth Having”

FAITH IN ACTION

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Life seldom unfolds according to our plans. Disappointments, detours, and trials often appear at the most inconvenient moments. Yet as followers of Christ, we find hope in the truth that—no matter how confusing or chaotic things seem—God’s providence remains at work, even when we can’t see it.

One of the clearest examples of this truth unfolds in Acts 28. The apostle Paul had planned to travel to Rome as a free man, continuing his gospel work. Instead, he arrived shipwrecked and imprisoned on the island of Malta. That journey was not what Paul expected—but it was exactly what God had ordained.

If you’re navigating through a season of struggle, you’re not alone. Here are three biblical ways you can actively serve, lead, and share the Gospel amidst your challenges—and how Hope Worth Having can walk alongside you through every storm.

1. Trust God’s Hidden Plan -

Paul’s detour to Rome wasn’t a setback—it was God’s strategic redirect that would shape history. Likewise, our hardships may conceal a deeper purpose we can’t yet see.

Romans 8:28 reminds us: “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him...” Even in our pain, we can trust that God is writing a greater story. Practical application:

- Pause in prayer to ask, “Lord, what are you doing in this moment?”
- Keep a journal of spiritual “detours” that later revealed deeper vows of faith.
- Surround yourself with trusted believers who point you toward God’s bigger picture.

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Prayer Requests:

FOR OUR LISTENERS TO
GROW CLOSER TO
CHRIST THROUGH OUR
MINISTRY.

FOR OUR TV CHANNELS
AND RADIO STATIONS.

FOR OUR UPCOMING
EVENTS.

FOR OUR LISTENERS TO
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FOR OUR
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2. Let Your Service Shine in Suffering

When trials hit, serving others may be the last thing on your mind—yet it's often at those times that our hearts can be most compassionate.

Jesus said in Matthew 5:16, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Even small acts—a conversation, a meal, a listening ear—can become living sermons.

Try this:

- Serve one person in quiet, anonymous kindness.
- Combine ministry and strength—volunteer in ways that don't drain you but remind you God is present.
- Reflect afterward on how serving brought healing or focus during your trial.

3. Lead by Example, Even When You're Struggling

Leadership isn't about perfection—it's about faithfulness. Faith leaders wise in faith aim to lead not by flawless performance, but by willing obedience.

Weathered leaders walking through storms often resonate deeper than smooth speakers ever could.

1 Corinthians 11:1 says, "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."

Ways to lead through hardship:

- Be transparent—share both your struggles and how God meets you in them.
- Model trusted rhythms in the midst of chaos—prayer, scripture meditation, community.
- Mentor someone younger in faith—your journey could become their anchor.

Your current trouble doesn't signal abandonment, it's a gateway to God's redemptive work. Through prayer, teaching, community, and worship, you don't have to face your challenges alone. Anchor yourself in truth. Let your service shine. Trust God's providence. Invite Him to write even your roughest chapters for His glory.

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