## Divine Delights

And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved. (Psalms 119:47)

In Acts 27, Paul was a prisoner on a ship heading for Rome. The chapter is full of action as they got caught in a storm, all hope of survival was gone and eventually they were shipwrecked on the island of Malta.

And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away. But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss. And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship. For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve, Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee. Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me. Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island. (Acts 27:20-26)

God kept his word (of course) and all 276 people on the boat were safe. As I read this passage, I was encouraged with the boldness of Paul in telling others God's word. He had no position of authority on the ship as he was a prisoner, yet he spoke with authority because he trusted God and knew that God would do what he said. I ought to have this same boldness. I don't have an angel of God coming to speak to me, but I have the Bible which is God's letter to me. I need to be in his word as much as possible so that I can listen to his voice and then I can share these things with boldness to others.

> Dear Ladies, May you be encouraged and delight in the Lord also.