



## The Person Who Makes A Difference

Acts 27

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### ***The Person Who Makes A Difference ...***

#### **Assumes the position of being owned by Christ.**

1. It is part of the nature of every believer.  
(27:23; see also Romans 14:7-9; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Galatians 3:13; Titus 2:14)
2. It is the practice of every believer who makes a difference.  
(27:23; see also 23:11, 26:32; Luke 9:32; Romans 1:1, 12:1-2; Galatians 1:10)

#### **Displays the character of Christ.**

— *Two Examples* —

1. Calm, even in great turmoil. (27:14-26)
2. Confident, even in great danger. (27:22-26, 30-36)

#### **Fulfills the ministry of being a servant of Christ.**

1. The claim. (27:23)
2. The conduct. (27:23; 28:3, 7-10, 21-44; see also 1 Corinthians 3:10-17, 4:1-2)

## In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

**Monday.** God wants *you* to be a person who makes a difference for Him. This begins when you recognize and live the reality that you are not your own but belong to Christ. Read's Paul's statements in Acts 27:23 and 1 Corinthians 6:19-20. Have you once and for all dedicated all you are and have to being God's? Are you taking up your cross daily (assuming the position of being dead to self-control) and following Him?

**Tuesday.** To make a difference we must display the character of Christ. Review one description of His character in Galatians 5:22-23. Sunday we looked at the character trait of being calm, even in great turmoil. Even if you are naturally an anxious person, the Holy Spirit will develop this in you. Review and ask God to help you follow His directions in Philippians 4:4-9.

**Wednesday.** Another character trait we saw in Paul was being confident, even in great danger. God will never leave or forsake you. Jesus knows all your fears. No circumstances or problems can defeat the confidence God gives as you trust Him. How does the reality of being absent from the body (death) meaning we are present with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:8) fit in here?

**Thursday.** People who make a difference for God fulfill their ministry of being a servant of Christ. What spiritual abilities has God given you? How are you using them to be His minister? Ministry for Christ is not limited to positions in church. Approach the busy requirements of your family, work and social life as opportunities to minister for Christ.

**Friday – Saturday.** On Sunday we plan to begin a new series in the book of Exodus. Read and think through 1:1-22 in preparation for our time together.