

formal training. When I was 19, he challenged me to witness and to preach the gospel in street-corner meetings.

What made Peter so effective? His way of life. Everybody could clearly see that God was his Master.

The same could be said about the apostle Paul. In Acts 27 we read that when he was a prisoner being taken to Rome, the ship on which he was sailing was being battered by a furious storm. The sailors had given up all hope. But when Paul spoke, everybody listened and was encouraged. Even the Roman centurion followed his instructions. Why? Because it was obvious that Paul was a godly man who was telling the truth. They had good reason to believe him when he spoke of "the God to whom I belong and whom I serve," and when he said there would be no loss of life (vv.22-23).

Let's yield ourselves to God so that we too can say, "Every inch belongs to the Lord." —Herb Vander Lugt

**Give your all to Christ; He gave His all for you.**



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## Central Mountains Baptist Church

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### *Information for Visitors.*

\* We're glad you're here. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the service. You're very welcome to join us for a cuppa after church.

\* a Kid's Church and creche is normally provided, during the sermon for the **toddler to primary age bracket**. Please ask for details.

## Every Inch Of Me

**Take heart, men, for I believe God that it will be just as it was told me. —Acts 27:25**

Shortly before Peter Doot died at age 92, he said, "I am six-foot-four, and every inch belongs to the Lord." I had known him for 65 years, and I'm sure what he said was true.

As a younger man, Peter had left a well-paying job so he could serve as an evangelist for his church. He made a profound impact on hundreds of lives, even though he had little



# 4 Truths 4 Times of Trouble

In Acts 27 we find 4 stabilising truths for times of trouble:

**1. The greatest problem during times of trouble is \_\_\_\_\_,**  
verses 8, 13-19, 33, 20



**(Galatians 5:17)** "For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please." [translation]

**(Ephesians 2:1)** "And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,"

**(Ephesians 2:3)** "... we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others."

**2. The only answer for times of trouble is \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_,**  
verses 20-24

**(2 Peter 1:3)** "...His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,"

**(Ephesians 2:1)** "And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,"

**(Ephesians 2:5)** "[He].... made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),"

**(Ephesians 2:8-9)** "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, {9} not of works, lest anyone should boast."

**(Psalms 23:4)** "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me."



**3. The highest goal in troubled times is \_\_\_\_\_,**  
verses 25-26



**(John 6:35)** "... "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst."

**4. \_\_\_\_\_ is always enough for any time of trouble,**  
verses 27-37

**(Matthew 11:28-30)** ""Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. {29} "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am genile and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. {30} "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.""

