And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28 KJV).

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take. The clouds ye so much dread are big with mercy, and shall break in blessings on your head!
What a calamity it must have appeared to the Apostle Paul when he was stopped in his missionary career, and imprisoned at Rome.

But the misfortune was only the shrine of a larger fortune. The Apostle wrote with great jubilation—

"THE THINGS THAT HAPPENED UNTO ME HAVE TURNED OUT RATHER FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF THE GOSPEL!"

His witnessing appeared to be confined, and his activities paralysed.

Out of his captivity, there came glorious letters to the early churches, which have guided and cheered countless people over the centuries.

For by grace... 
...are ye saved... 
...through faith... 
...it is the gift of God!
Remember what happened to Paul and so many other outstanding people in the Bible who initially experienced what seemed like a setback, and remember that what we call disappointment or disaster may contain a jewel from heaven.

Are you experiencing a disappointment or an extremely difficult situation?

Commit the disappointment or difficulty to God in prayer and trust Him to turn it into something beneficial.

It's beautiful, Moira. I never knew ye could write poetry!

I didn't either, Mum, until I had this accident!

You probably haven't been taken to jail, but it still feels unpleasant.

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