

~LYCIA (27)
(Ly'ci-a)

- A mountainous region on the Southwest coast of Asia Minor. To the Northwest of **Lycia** lay Caria, to the North, Phrygia and Pisidia, and to the Northeast, Pamphylia. The mountains in the territory of ancient Lycia are spurs of the Taurus Range.
- Particularly in the eastern half of the region, they rise almost directly from the coast. The river valleys, chief of which is that of the Xanthus, modern Koca, are fertile. Vegetation thrives on the hills, and the mountain slopes provide pasture for sheep.
- Two **Lycian** cities, Patara and Myra, are specifically mentioned in connection with the apostle Paul's travels. But there is no record of his doing any preaching there.
- Now when we had torn ourselves away from them and put out to sea, we ran with a straight course and came to Cos, but on the next day to Rhodes, and from there to Patara. (**Acts of Apostles 21:1**)
- And we navigated through the open sea along Cilicia and Pamphylia and put into port at Myra in **Lycia**. (**Acts of Apostles 27:5**)