

# The King's Highway.

An Advocate of Scriptural Holiness.

And an Highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness—Isa. 35-8.

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## THE PERILS OF THE LAST DAYS.

"This know also that in the last days perilous times shall come."—2 Tim. 3-1.

The Apostle wisely, and in keeping with the whole Bible, makes his statements brief and to the point and lets men make their own application as to the period of time meant.

"He simply says: "In the last days perilous times shall come," and immediately states the awful conditions which shall obtain.

Dr. Adam Clarke's commentary gives the following concise comments on these conditions which are to characterize the professed church (as the world as such make no profession of Godliness) at the period referred to. This awful list is headed by self-love.

Lovers of ourselves] Selfish, studious of their own interest, and regardless of the welfare of all mankind.

Covetous] Lovers of money, because of the influence which riches can procure.

Boasters] Vain-glorious, self-assuming; valuing themselves beyond all others.

Proud] Airy, light, trifling persons; those who love to make a show; who are all outside.

Blasphemers] Those who speak impiously of God and sacred things; and injurious of men.

Disobedient to parents] Headstrong children, whom their parents cannot persuade.

Unthankful] Persons without grace, or gracefulness; who think they have a right to the services of all men; yet feel no obligations and consequently no gratitude.

Unholy] Without piety, having no heart reverence for God.

Without natural affection] Without that affection which parents bear to their young; and which the young bear to their parents. An affection which is common to every class of animals; consequently, men, without it are worse than brutes.

Truce-breakers] Men bound by no promise; held by no engagement; obliged by no oath. Persons who readily promise anything, because they never intend to perform.

False accusers] Devils, for this is a principle work of the devil.

Slanders] Striving ever to ruin the characters of others.

Incontinent] Those who having sinned away their power of self-government, want strength to govern their appetites,

especially those who are slaves to uncleanness.

Fierce] Wild, impetuous, devoid of gentleness.

Despisers of those that are good] Not lovers of good men. Those who do not love the good, must be radically bad themselves.

Traitors] Those who deliver up to an enemy the person who has put his life in their hands.

Heady] Headstrong, precipitate, rash, inconsiderate.

High-minded] Frivolously aspiring; those who are full of themselves, and empty of all good.

Lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God] Lovers of pleasure, rather than lovers of God; sensual gratification, is their God, and this they love and serve; God they do not.

The climax—Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof] Those who have their religion in their creed, confession of faith, catechism, etc. While destitute of the life of God in their souls; and are not only destitute of this life, but deny that such a life or power is here to be experienced or known. They have their religion in their creed, but none in their hearts."

The statement is, that these people have a form of godliness—professed religious people, and the word goes on to say that these people are ever learning, but never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Because their line of teaching does not lead that way.

Persons who do not believe holiness possible cannot possibly obtain it.

This reveals the fact that the great perils of drifting into this awful state, beginning with self love and end life in the awful spiritual impotency—of inability to come to the knowledge of the truth experimentally, having resisted the truth until the condition of reprobacy concerning the faith is reached—or the state where the mind has lost its power to discriminate between right and wrong. The marginal note says—of no judgment—Can one conceive of a more awful condition. This is a danger that people generally do not recognize to exist. We fear it is a pitfall that few see, but doubtless many fall into. Spiritual impotency and utter spiritual darkness beyond recovery.

"Foes to the truth in the church are more dangerous and deadly than outside enemies."

"He who loves carnality more than purity will cling to the former and reject the latter."

"Membership in the church should indicate harmony with the doctrines and principles of the church."

"He who never stirs error to antagonism should look carefully after his matter and manner of his preaching."

Salvation comes to us through what God does for us, and not through what we do for God.

### BILLY SUNDAY ON AMERICA.

I would like to do this: I would like to see every booze-fighter get on the water wagon. I would like to summon all the drunkards in America and say: "Boys, let's cut her out and spend the money for flour, meat and calico; what do you say?"

Come on; I'm going to line up the drunkards. We will line up in front of the butcher shop. The butcher says: "What do you want, a piece of neck?"

"No; how much do I owe you?" "Two dollars." "Here's your dough. Now give me a porterhouse steak and a sirloin roast."

"Where did you get all that money?" "Went to hear Bill, and climbed on the water wagon."

"Hello! What do you want?"

"Beefsteak."

We empty the shop and the butcher runs to the telephone. "Hey, central, give me the slaughter-house. Have you got any beef, any pork, any mutton?"

They strip the slaughter-house and then telephone for trainloads of beefsteaks.

"What's the matter?"

"The whole bunch has got on the water wagon."

And the big packers say to their salesmen: "Buy beef, pork and mutton," and the farmers see the price of cattle and sheep jump up to three times their value.

Let me take the money you dump into the whisky hole and buy beefsteaks with it. I will tell you what is the matter with America: Your children are going naked and the whisky gang has your money.