

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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A REMARKABLE REVIVAL IN A REMARKABLE PLACE WITH REMARKABLE RESULTS.

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For there stood by me this night the angel of God, Whose I am, and Whom I serve.

Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as he told me.—Acts 27, 23-25.

In comparison with the modern preparation for a revival, the one on board of this old freight ship has many very striking features. 1st, the evangelist was traveling without the privilege of choosing his stateroom on a beautiful steamship, or in the up-to-date Pulman and Parlor Car. With the select passengers who travel in that class. But Paul had the high honor of Government official escort and a military body-guard.

He had no wealthy people to guarantee the expenses of the campaign—No influential committee of arrangements—No special singers or other human assistants.

2nd. The place where the revival was to take place supplied a most striking contrast to that chosen for modern revivals—Building, weather conditions—evangelist, and congregation found it most difficult to stand or keep their seats—The most unfavorable place possible—compared with the most favorable place and conditions.

3rd. The people—Two hundred and seventy-six men, who had fasted fourteen days, and by stress of weather conditions and momentarily expecting death by shipwreck, what modern church or evangelistic committee or pastor or evangelist would choose this condition as the psychological moment for a revival that would result in the salvation of the whole company.

4th. The wonderful results—The secret is contained in the declaration of the divine being that Paul called "the angel of God." "And, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee. And Paul's faith, that lifted him above all adverse circum-

stances, and conditions that might hinder he said: "For I believe God that it shall be even as it was told me."

A DOUBLE SALVATION—EVERY MAN'S LIFE AND EVERY MAN'S SOUL.

From the human view both would seem like an impossibility. This was certainly God's seal on Paul's credentials.

It would look like Paul taking charge of the ship—He refused to let the sailors leave the meeting before the altar service. God had included the sailors in the "all them," physical strength was needful for the salvation of the physical life. So Paul exhorted them to eat, but he instituted a new thing for those men—grace at meat. "Gave thanks to God in the presence of them all."

GREAT LESSONS.

God's eyes are on his servants while under difficult circumstances, and will visit them, and comfort them, and turn the most difficult circumstances into great opportunities.

There are no impossible temporal conditions to revival work, if the worker is under divine commission, for that specific place and work. This was only a little revival while Paul was passing on his way to Caesar's court.

Men should be willing to get saved anywhere or under any circumstances.

Ministers and evangelists should take a lesson from this incident—Paul was tossed about in this revival meeting fourteen days before he had a "break" and probably only one preaching service.

This evidently was a hard crowd for it took fourteen days and nights to bring them to a point of surrender. They were largely composed of soldiers, sailors and prisoners, but the grace of God was, and is still sufficient for every man's need.

The Lion of Judah can break every chain.

And give us the victory again and again.

It would be very interesting to know the after history of these two hundred and seventy-six converted men, after the three months ministry of Paul on this Island, which doubtless confirmed them in the faith, that they should go forth into the world and tell their wonderful conversion with their miraculous escape from a watery grave.

While these circumstances obtained, physical and mental strain had their effect, the real spiritual transformation of these lives was directly the work of God.

The outward conditions which may appear to us as problems beyond solution, may be used of God as a helpful factor in the salvation of men. This shipwrecked company must have been like the sudden arrival of a holiness camp meeting on this Island, with Paul as the evangelist, and he led the crowd in building a fire, and underwent the usual extremes in the minds of some of the people that first think a man must be a murderer, and later conclude he is a god. But Paul kept busy and things came to pass, and the thing closed up at the end of three months with everybody happy and a big offering that met all the needs of the camp meeting, and the evangelist and his helpers left for the next meeting.

"A church playing pool is a church acting fool."

"When we get our eyes too much on the enemy we shall suffer intimidation. Saul's army was powerless before Goliath, but little David, not looking upon the Giant's size, but fixing his faith on the mighty God, brought Goliath down and victory to Israel."