

The King's Highway

An Advocate of Scriptural Holiness

— THE ORGAN OF THE —
REFORMED BAPTIST ALLIANCE

Published Semi-Monthly at Moncton, N. B.
by a Committee of the Alliance.

Editor - Rev. B. C. Cochrane

Associate Editor and Business Manager

Rev. E. W. Tokley

Contributing Editors: Revs. F. Dunlop, C. E. Stairs,

A. D. Cann

Other members of Committee: Revs. W. L. Fernley,

L. K. Mullen

— SUBSCRIPTION PRICE —

Per year, in advance.....\$3.00

United States Subscribers..... 3.00

SPECIAL NOTICE

All correspondence for the Highway should reach us
before the 8th and 23rd of each month.

The King's Highway, Box 277, Moncton, N. B.

Printed by Moncton Publishing Co., Ltd.

Printers and Publishers, Moncton, N. B.

AUTHORIZED AS SECOND CLASS MAIL

POST OFFICE DEPT. OTTAWA

MONCTON, N. B., SEPTEMBER 30th, 1960

— Editorials —

IT IS TIME TO BE THANKFUL

October and November are thanksgiving months in Canada and United States. On October 10th. and November 24th. the people of North America will join in national observances in recognition of the blessings of Divine providence.

Are there any people on earth who have greater reason for thankfulness than we of this Continent? Are any of the sons of men more richly blessed? I think not.

We live in a land both free and fertile. Our political system, though far from perfect, is nevertheless superior to the ruthless totalitarianism of many countries of the world. The life and liberty of the individual is respected and protected. The lowly and the lofty share equally in the opportunities of industry and enterprise. Places of leadership are open to all who will qualify for them, success is within the reach of any student, workmen, or public servant who will exercise initiative and diligence.

Ours is a land of peace and plenty. The ugly scars of warfare which mar the beauty of many countries have not defaced the loveliness of this scenic Continent. We dwell safely in surroundings that are pleasing and picturesque. The good earth yields harvests rich and abundant making hunger and want uncommon, if not unnecessary. Little wonder that people who emigrate to America from countries where war and want are prevalent consider us a people highly favoured of God. "The lines are fallen unto us in pleasant places..."

Highest and best of all the rich blessings we enjoy are those of spiritual light and liberty. The Gospel of Christ is preached and heard from sea to sea. Church towers are sighted in communities across the nation, indicating that we have chosen to be "a nation whose God is the Lord". Certainly not all preaching is sound and saving, and not all churches "earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints", but we may well rejoice that Christ is preached and that at least a segment of our population is devotedly dedicated to the Lord and Redeemer. Many people have not yet heard the name of Jesus, have neither experienced nor witnessed the power of His grace.

Thanksgiving should not be restricted to a day or a season. It should be a part of our daily living. But it is fitting, most fitting, that we should have an annual call to united and national thanksgiving to Him from Whom we receive all good things, material and spiritual.

"Let us with a glad some mind
Praise the Lord, for He is kind;
For His mercies shall endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure".

Guest Editorial

GOD OUR SUFFICIENCY

By the late Oliver G. Wilson, D.D.

Does it seem that all of life's plans and hopes are shattered, and the things in which you had trusted have failed you? "Our sufficiency is of God" are words forced from the lips of the Apostle Paul in the long ago.

Paul could not explain the chain of hard circumstances that had come to him. His scholastic training had failed to solve the riddle of life. His Roman citizenship, though prized so highly, had neither saved him from persecution nor protected him from beatings and imprisonments.

Many a weary pilgrim goes stumbling into tomorrow because the things he considered sufficient with which to battle through the rough circumstances of life have proved to be wholly inadequate. A radio announcer recently said: "You cannot send God into exile without sending yourself into confusion."

He who has God has enough!

Power enough to climb over, to batter through, to push aside the barricades with which Satan endeavors to turn the soul into a detour.

Supplies enough for emergencies caused by disaster, prolonged blizzards, and when compelled to live at the side of Jabbok as did Elijah.

Courage enough when outnumbered 10,000 to one, to blow the victorious trumpet as did Gideon.

Company enough when forced into solitary confinement by cruel persecuting hate. For the Christ declared, "Lo, I am with you alway."

The sense of divine companionship that comes to the soul of life's hardest moments, as we remain faithful to God in the duty assigned us, is beyond all other joys. It is a deep, solid, sanctifying, strengthening joy.

"Our sufficiency is of God." Not big majorities, not popular issues, not personal cleverness, but of God.

"Wherever I go, thank God, he makes my life a constant pageant of triumph in Christ, diffusing the perfume of his knowledge everywhere by me." (II Cor. 2:14 —Moffatt).

The Christian life is a warfare, involving great effort, grave danger and constant vigilance. But in the stress of conflict it is well to remember that the issue is not uncertain, that the victory will be complete.

From an old definition we learn that our word "strength" comes from a word signifying "twisted together." It is not strange then that the Psalmist was inspired to write, "The Lord is the strength of my life." In some intimate manner our life is twisted together with the Lord. God and the human soul are two strands of the same cord. Satan cannot break man who is committed to God until he breaks God. We are twisted together with One who is infinite. The weakest shall not fail for lack of resources.

—Wesleyan Methodist.

The King's Highway