# "THE LONG ROAD HOME"

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## INTRODUCTION

II Cor. 11:21-28

A. TEXT: Acts 28:16.

II Tim. 1:12:

- B. It is interesting to look at the road that Paul followed that lead to Rome.
  - 1. More importantly the road that Paul followed was the Road That Lead To Heaven.
  - 2. Quick review of our introduction to Saul of Tarsus.
  - 3. Then Paul the apostle.
  - 4. His Missionary Journeys.
  - 5. Arrest, trial, and trip to Rome.
  - 6. Know but very little of Paul's life, after this.
  - 7. But we do know that he was on the road that leads to Heaven. ARE YOU?

## **LOOKING FOR A CITY**

- A. ABRAHAM: Hebrews 11:8-10.
  - 1. Story of Abraham
  - 2. His travels.
- B. As the Hebrew writer explains, Abraham was looking for more than an earthly city.
  - 1. He was looking for a city whose "builder and maker is God."
  - 2. He was on the Road To Heaven....ARE YOU?

# **Sojourners And Pilgrims**

- A. That we are just passing through this world looking for an eternal abiding place is one of the themes that occur in the writings of Peter.

  - "pass the time of your sojourning in fear" I Peter 1:17.
    "Beloved, I beseech you as sojourners and pilgrims.....(I Pet. 2:11)
- B. "But according to his promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness" (II Pet. 3:13).
  - 1. He has just told us what will happen to this world.
  - 2. Now...are we ready for the world that is to come. Are we on the right road.

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## WHAT IS THE ROAD THAT LEAD TO HEAVEN?

## A. ROAD OF SURRENDER:

- 1. Luke 9:23...deny self, take up cross daily...follow me.
- 2. Matt. 6:33...seek ye first the kingdom of heaven.

#### **B. ROAD OF OBEDIENCE:**

- 1. Acts 26:19: "I was not disobedient to that heavenly vision"...
- 2. "And having been made perfect, he became unto all them that obey him the author of eternal salvation; (Heb. 5:9).

## C. ROAD OF SERVICE:

- 1. Jesus came, not to be served, but to give Himself a ransom for all (Mk. 10:45).
- 2. The Christian goes to work in the vineyard of God.
- 3. He bears much fruit.
- 4. He is the servant of Christ.

## D. ROAD OF FRUIT BEARING:

- 1. Gal. 5:22ff
- 2. Fruit bearing is the natural results of being lead by the Spirit.

### E. ROAD OF SATISFACTION:'

- 1. Happiness is only when we lose our self in a cause greater then our self.
- 2. "Joy unspeakable and full of glory".

#### **CONCLUSION:**

When we complete the road we are following, will we be able to say with the apostle Paul: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day; and not to me only, but also to all them that have loved his appearing." (II Timothy 4:7-8).

Can you sign your name to this???

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