

## **SALVATION'S ROAD**

The voice crying in the wilderness demanded that a way be prepared for the Lord. Be attentive to the Master's voice and give him a road into your heart through the desert of your nature. Four aspects of the road require our serious attention.

**FILL IN EVERY VALLEY.** Correct low and dishonorable thoughts of God. Remove any doubting and despairing about the future. Forsake self-seeking and carnal delights. Across these deep valleys pave a glorious causeway of grace.

**LEVEL EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL.** Cast away self-sufficiency and pride to make a highway for the King of Kings. The Lord respects the lowly, and visits the contrite heart, but the lofty are an abomination to Him.

**STRAIGHTEN THE CROOKED PLACES.** Straighten the wavering heart into a path of decision for God with holiness as the destination. Double-minded people are strangers of God's truth.

**SMOOTH OUT THE ROUGH PLACES.** Remove any known stumbling blocks of sin, and uproot thorns of rebellion.



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