

# Lights Burning at Home

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In reading Psalm 107:13, "Then they cried out unto the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them out of their distresses." I was reminded about a situation on the Great Lakes some years back. A fierce storm was sweeping the area and a tugboat, towing a huge barge, began to flounder amidst the mountainous waves forcing the captain and his mates to man the lifeboats. All night long they were tossed to and fro, every instant in jeopardy of their lives. The next day, wet hungry and seasick, they were finally rescued by a passing ship. The captain afterward testified that all the long night, as they were beaten and heaved from side to side by this tempest, there was one thing which gave their arms the strength they need to fight this storm. The thing that kept their hearts from failing and sinking in despair was the cheering fact that shining through the darkness and the storm they could dimly discern the lights of home! And you know that is exactly the way it is daily in the Christian life and walk.

We too face different storms in our lives. These storms and trails cause us to persevere by our looking to the Lord for His strength and deliverances. He has given us so many promises and assurances in His word the Bible that keeps our hope and expectation alive and well, especially at the most severe time of the storm. Jesus promised us that He would never leave us nor forsake us, but He said I am and will be with you to the end of life itself here on earth. His assurances cause us to look forward to the DESIRE HAVEN of Heaven itself.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon, a well-known Bible preacher of days gone by declared, "There is no pang that rends the heart but that Jesus knows its power and stands ready to aid us. The Lord Jesus showed to us who believe and trust His understanding of exactly what we are going through in our life. As the Bible declares that He was tempted and tested in all of the points of trials in life, like as we are, yet He was without sin. Do you suffer poverty; well Jesus had no place where to call His earthly home for rest. Jesus wept at the tomb of Lazarus showing His earthly and heavenly love of another human in death. Jesus showed us He knows how much that death brings sorrow, grieving and loss in our lives. Do you experience rejection by those you have loved? Jesus was betrayed and sold out by one of His close followers for 30 pieces of silver. The apostle Peter in his moment of fear and human weakness renounced Jesus and

used the cursing and swearing of man to deny knowing Jesus. The Bible says He is our high priest who can be touched with our feelings and fears in our infirmities.”

Dear one, flee to Jesus because He loves you.