

“You can enter God’s Kingdom only through the narrow gate.  
The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many  
who choose the easy way. But the gateway to life is small,  
and the road is narrow, and only a few ever find it.  
Matthew 7:13-14 (NLT)

Someone asked him, “Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?”  
He said to them, “Make every effort to enter through the narrow door,  
because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to.”  
Luke 13:23-24 (NIV)

There is never any traffic congestion on the straight and narrow path.  
- Herbert V. Prochnow

Salvation is a gift you can ask for.  
-anonymous

This song is about taking the proverbial “road to salvation”; a very relevant subject for all of us. For many, it might require a few changes in habit. For others, it might be time for a major overhaul.

Remember that few of us are perfect... and even among those few, it is likely to be only their opinion that they are. For the majority of us... it would probably serve us best to learn to accept the need for a change in habit.

Here’s a song about salvation called: “[Back in the Promised Land](#)”.

## **Back in the Promised Land**

by Jeffrey Robert Smith

**Verse 1A:** Oh, ye sinners, I’ve got a word or two  
That could help you find your way.  
And I think you know who I’m talking to...  
Won’t you stay?

If you keep in mind that I’m only trying  
To relay my thoughts to you;  
But I have it on good authority  
That it’s all true.

**Verse 1B:** You won’t find what you’re looking for  
If you’re too far off the track.  
‘Cross the devil’s line, there’s a “wrong way” sign;  
And you won’t find your way back.  
What you need’s salvation  
From a Lord that you can trust.  
You’ve got to run some miles on the righteous road;  
And leave the devil in the dust.

**Chorus:** You should turn a page in the holy book...  
Just as much as you can do.  
Take the narrow path to a man named Jesus  
‘Cause He died for you.

And follow Him anywhere He goes;  
Try to keep Him close at hand.  
One right turn, and a couple sins left,  
And you’re back in the Promised Land.

**Repeat:** One right turn, and a couple sins left,

And you're back in the Promised Land.

**Verse 2A:** You should leave behind all the yesterdays,  
When you had no plan at all.  
Leave your past mistakes by the wayside  
Where they fall.

'Cause tomorrow, they'll be a memory  
On the road to better things.  
So let's open up this soul,  
And give her wings.

**Verse 2B:** So much road still ahead of you,  
But your life is back in tune.  
If the devil tries, tell 'em "this soul flies!"  
And you won't be stoppin' soon.

You're headed toward salvation;  
And it's "make it there, or bust!"  
You're gonna run some miles on the righteous road;  
And leave the devil in the dust.

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**Verse 3A:** You're the wayward son of a mortal one,  
But you'll soon be heaven-bound.  
'Cause you let His love travel into you,  
You are found.

Now you're not the man that you used to be...  
Throwing caution to the wind.  
But you've learned the ropes, and you're ready now  
To begin.

**Verse 3B:** On this road, there are twists and turns,  
But you're headed true and straight.  
And no one rides from the other side...  
That isn't open for debate.

Next stop is salvation;  
And it's all that you'll discuss.  
You're gonna run some miles on the righteous road;  
And leave the devil in the dust.

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