

HOW TO MANEUVER A DIFFICULT ROAD

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You need helping _____.

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With a friend you can face the worst.
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A three-stranded rope isn't easily snapped.
Ecclesiastes 4 (MSG)*

*"Who you surround yourself with has more bearing on whether or not you will make it than your "plan" does."
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2. A _____ this is new _____ for you.

You need a _____.

You have the ultimate guide, yet you need Jesus with skin on who has walked this way before.

⁴ *Since you have never traveled this way before, they will guide you. Stay about half a mile behind them, keeping a clear distance between you and the Ark. Make sure you don't come any closer." Joshua 3*

3. T _____ God to give you _____.

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— Henry Ward Beecher*

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They will walk and not faint. Isaiah 40 (NLT)*

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