

SAVING THE SHIP

The president of Gordon College, R. Judson Carlberg, was driving along the ocean near his home in Massachusetts when he saw two stately 17th Century sailing ships. They were replicas, built for a movie being filmed nearby.

“The breeze was stiff,” Carlberg reported, “straining the rigging and the crews. Yet each ship stayed the course and didn’t capsize.”

He explained the secret of their stability. “Beneath the waterline, each had a deep, heavy keel – a part you don’t see.” The keel was essential for keeping the vessel steady in rough weather.

What holds you and me steady when fierce winds are blowing across life’s sea? Be certain: they will come. What keeps us from capsizing when we are under stress and tension?

It’s the stabilizing keel of faith in our sovereign God – the “anchor of the soul.”

--Beecher Hunter