

Trek Across Antarctica

Early in the 20th century, Sir Ernest Shackelford made a voyage to Antarctica. He had a dream of crossing 2,100 miles of the icy continent by dogsled. Shackelford's ship, however, ran into an ice pack nearly 200 miles from land and sank.



He and his men trudged across drifting ice floes to reach land and then continued on to the nearest outpost, nearly 1,200 miles away. As they made their way on foot, they pulled behind them a ton of weight – a lifeboat containing the only supplies they were able to salvage from their sinking ship.

When they reached waters clear enough to navigate, they faced waves as high as 90 feet. They

finally arrived at South Georgia Island and were told later that the expanse of water they traversed had never been crossed before.

Seven months after they set sail, the group finally reached their destination, the chosen point for beginning their trek across Antarctica. When asked about the experience, each man said that he had felt the presence of One unseen, Who had guided them. Each man had a sense that he was not alone and that he would survive.

Perhaps you find, or have found, yourself in the middle of a challenge or some adverse situation. You are never alone; you will make it. Take a bold step of faith and watch what God will do.

We walk by faith, not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7).

– Beecher Hunter