

Turbulent Rapids

The mighty Niagara River plummets some 180 feet at the American and Horseshoe Falls. Before the falls, there are violent, turbulent rapids. Further upstream, however, where the river's current flows more gently, boats are able to navigate.

Just before the Walland River empties into the Niagara, a pedestrian walkway spans the river. Posted on this bridge's pylons is a warning sign for all boaters: **Do you have an anchor?**

That question is followed by another: **Do you know how to use it?**

The flow of our lives is like the Niagara River. There are peaceful, gentle times, where happiness and contentment prevail. Sooner or later, we hit turbulence and our boat is threatened to be turned upside down.

In those situations, to be sure, we must depend upon an anchor. What holds you steady and firm in these stormy waters?

The answer, of course, is faith in God – the One who made you and loves you. He becomes the calming force in your life, the rock that is unmovable.

--Beecher Hunter