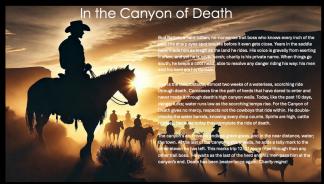
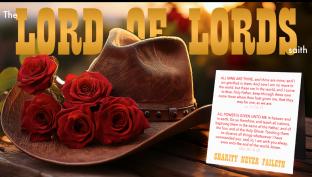
NEVER FAILETH















CHARITY NEVER FAILETH:

The FATHER Holds unerringly.

JESUS'S BLOOD Never loses its power.

The HOLY GHOST Guides into all truth.

Father, JESUS and Holy Spirit; Thy voice calls me: I awake.

My eyes are set in thy will;
To thy Holy Mountain we ride.

The strength of thy arms, O Lord, Is greater than a thousand horses.

What then shall I fear? Death? **Never! FATHER**, **I hear Life** echoing from the hills!

When the stampede of the enemy draws near; I crush it, **JESUS**, with thy sacred blood, in thy holy name.

I see your oasis off in the distance;

I will not stop 'til I reach thy living waters.

At night, your fire and warmth fill me; In your rest I find peace.

Your **HOLY SPIRIT guides me** on this trail, On the straight and narrow **I stay true**.



In the Canyon of Death

Bud Batton, a hard-bitten, no-nonsense trail boss who knows every inch of the trail. His sharp eyes spot trouble before it even gets close. Years in the saddle have made him as tough as the land he rides. His voice is gravelly from exerting it often, and yet he is never harsh; charity is his private name. When things go south, he keeps a cool head, able to resolve any danger riding his way: his men and his herd are his domain.

This is the last obstacle, almost two weeks of a waterless, scorching ride through death. Carcasses line the path of herds that have dared to enter and never made it through death's high canyon walls. Today, like the past 10 days, danger lurks; water runs low as the scorching temps rise. For the Canyon of Death gives no mercy, respects not the cowboys that ride within. He double-checks the water barrels, knowing every drop counts. Spirits are high, cattle restless, because today they complete the ride of death.

The canyon's end reveals endless green grass, and in the near distance, water; the town. At the last of the canyon's sharp walls, he adds a tally mark to the other eleven he has left. This marks trip 12: 11 more trips through than any other trail boss. He waits as the last of the herd and his men pass him at the canyon's end. Death has been beaten once again: *Charity reigns*!





In the year eighteen sixty-five, the war was near its end, Bud Batton rode to battle, with his country to defend. At Columbus, he was wounded, left to face the night, Till a lady dressed in white stepped in to save his life.

Chorus

He's a trail boss ridin' through the dust and plains, Bible in his saddle, preachin' Jesus' name. A soldier, a cowboy, a man of the Word, Helpin' folks in need, makin' sure they heard.

Viola was her name, but he called her Vi, She nursed him back to life, love shinin' in her eyes. Through the trials and the pain, love was born that day, And when he said "I do," he knew he'd found his way.

(Chorus)

By firelight, he'd read the Word, lead the lost back home, With a heart so full of mercy, never ridin' alone. For the Father, Son, and Spirit, he'd stand tall and true, A cowboy and a preacher, with a mission to pursue.

From Texas to Montana, he'd guide the cattle through, But every town he stopped in, he'd share the gospel too. With a voice so strong and steady, like the rivers wide, He led men to salvation, with Vi right by his side.

(Chorus)

You can feel the Holy Spirit like a western breeze, The Trail boss praying upon his knees. Bud Batton rides for freedom, for truth and for grace, Preaching the Gospel of Jesus, such a heavenly place

