

MAIN CHARACTERS

Christian - Frantic to escape the coming destruction and rid himself of his crushing burden of sin and guilt, Christian fled from his home and began a long and exciting trip to the place of deliverance and, finally, the rewards of the Celestial City. His dangerous journey is the story of every one who turns to God and follows His pathway through life toward the Heavenly City.

Evangelist - An evangelist preaches the Gospel. In this story, Evangelist was the one who showed Christian the way to find deliverance, and directed him back to the right road when he had lost his way.

Obstinate - A proud and stubborn resident of the City of Destruction, Obstinate had no use for God's Word when it interfered with his comfortable life. He dismissed Christian and Pliable as fools.

Pliable - Easily swayed by what he heard and saw, Pliable was quick to join Christian on his trip to the rewards of the Celestial City. But with their first misfortune, when they encountered the Slough of Despond, Pliable was just as quick to turn back and abandon the journey.

Help - Help is one of the King's officers (preachers, pastors, evangelists, etc.) who, like Evangelist, are stationed along the way to the Celestial City to assist pilgrims as they journey. He helped Christian climb out of the Slough of Despond.

Mr. Worldly Wiseman - A successful, well-respected gentleman, Worldly Wiseman had a high respect for his type of morality. But his main interest was in the enjoyment of his worldly pleasures, and he had no regard for the difficult and dangerous road to the Celestial City. He directed Christian to a "better way," where Mr. Legality would relieve him of his burden and he could find a happy and easy life.

MAJOR SETTINGS

City of Destruction - This was Christian's home town, from which he fled to escape the coming judgment from heaven. The City of Destruction represents this present world, where people go about their lives without regard for God and the life He calls them to.

Slough of Despond - This miry swamp was filled with the scum and slime that come with the realization of sin. When those who seek God realize the evil that is within them, the fears, doubts and discouragements that arise may threaten to engulf them.