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trace of water anywhere that you know of within a long distance? I became panic-stricken. I wondered whether I would **ge** ever get out of **there** two years alive. Then I realized I had studied/in Europe, and many years at American institutions of learning, *i* in order to be equipped to teach the **drfmn** defense and **rangfulxess** careful exegesis of the OT°. I **hand** felt that the Lord had given me preparation to do a great work for Him, and that a good start had been made in the work, but that much was yet to be done. I knew that I had not simply been careless in coming on the **trp** trip. I had failed **b** be aware of certain facts which perhaps I could have found out. I had not simply foolish taken a/**fmoits shawkey** chance, even though I should have been more careful. I decided concluded that it was God's will to bring me safely out in order that my work might be continued.

As soon as I had this realization all panic left me. I was confident God would bring me out. While I had many disagreeable and unpleasant moments during the next three days, I had not another instant of panic or or lack of trust that God would bring me safely out. I got up and started to walk. I could look down three thousand 3000 fexet feet, with the moonlight upon it, but there was no way of getting down over the absolutely sheer wall that stood part of the way between man me and the river, the river and me, gleaming almost directly below me. I continued on for a time and then sat down and slept a little, then continued further. TER Soon the sun began to come up, and I kept going until After it began to grow light I kept ping until the sun came up over that the side of the mountain. Then I immediately got could into the shade of a tree where I/mondit gradually move around as the sun moved through the day, and could **meet** keep from becoming completely dehydrated. As I lay there through the day I looked up the walls of the Cany on canyon and was able to see a way to scale the walls and get out there, a way not w shown on any map, a way that one might have gone many miles before finding (better construc?) but here was one right straight in front of me. It took three more days to