

WORD BASICS

PROTECTION

1. TRUSTING IN THE LORD IS YOUR ONLY SURE REFUGE:

A. SAFETY & PROTECTION ARE OF THE LORD:

Psa.127:1b Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain
Pro.21:31 The horse is prepared...but safety is of the Lord

B. THE LORD IS ABLE TO PROTECT YOU:

Exo.6:6,7 I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, & with great judgments
Zeph.3:17 The Lord in the midst of thee is mighty; He will save
Isa.59:1 The Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save
Rom.4:21 What He [has] promised, He [is] able also to perform
Eph.3:20 He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all...we ask

C. THE LORD IS YOUR DEFENCE & PROTECTIVE SHIELD:

Deut.33:27a The eternal God is thy refuge
Psa.3:3 Thou, O Lord, art a shield for me
Psa.5:12 With favour wilt Thou compass him as with a shield
Psa.89:18a For the Lord is our defence
Psa.115:11 Trust in the Lord: He is their help & their shield
Isa.33:16 He shall dwell on high: place of defence...the rocks (See also Psa.18:35; 107:41a.)

D. HE IS YOUR TOWER & FORTRESS, YOUR HIGH ROCK:

2Sam.22:2,3 The Lord is my rock, & my fortress, & my deliverer
Psa.9:9 The Lord will be a refuge...in times of trouble
Psa.61:3 Thou hast been a shelter for me, & a strong tower from the enemy
Psa.62:6 He only is my rock & my salvation: He is my defence
Psa.71:2-4 Be Thou my strong habitation...deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked
Psa.91:2 He is my refuge & my fortress, in Him will I trust
Pro.18:10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, & is safe

E. HE IS YOUR PROTECTION IN TIMES OF GREAT DANGER:

Isa.25:4 A refuge from the storm...when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall
Nah.1:6,7 The Lord is...a strong hold in the day of trouble; & He knoweth them that trust in Him

Zeph.2:3 Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth...ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger
(See also Psa.46:1-5)

F. THE LORD IS YOUR HIDING PLACE:

Psa.27:5a In the time of trouble He shall hide me
Psa.32:7 Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me
 about
Psa.119:114 Thou art my hiding place & shield: I hope in Thy Word
Psa.143:9b I flee unto Thee to hide me

2. GOD WILL PROTECT YOU BECAUSE HE LOVES YOU:

A. THE LORD DELIVERS HIS SAVED CHILDREN WHO TRUST HIM:

2Sam.8:6b The Lord preserved David whithersoever he went
Psa.37:28 The Lord forsaketh not His saints; they are preserved
Psa.37:40 The Lord...shall deliver them from the wicked, & save them, because they trust in Him
Psa.91:9,10 Because thou hast made the Lord...thy habitation; there shall no evil befall thee
2Tim.4:18 The Lord shall deliver me from every evil work

B. THE LORD LOVES, FAVOURS & WILL PROTECT YOU:

Deut.33:12a The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by Him
2Sam.22:20b He delivered me, because He delighted in me
Job 1:10 Hast not Thou made an hedge about him (Job), & about his house, & all that he hath on
 every side
Psa.17:8,9 Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of Thy wings...from my d
 eadly enemies
Psa.41:11 By this I know that Thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me
Psa.56:9 When I cry unto Thee, then shall mine enemies turn back...for God is with me
Psa.91:7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, & ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come
 nigh thee
Psa.105:12-15 He reprov'd kings for their sakes; saying, Touch not Mine anointed, & do My prophets
 no harm
Mat.10:29-31 [God even watches over sparrows, &] ye are of more value than many sparrows
(See also Psa.4:3; 40:17; 125:2.)

C. HE IS ALWAYS CLOSE BY TO PROTECT YOU:

Gen.28:15 I am with thee, & will keep thee in all places whither thou goest
Deut.33:12b The Lord shall cover him all the day long, & he shall dwell between His shoulders

Deut.33:27 The eternal God is thy refuge, & underneath are the everlasting arms
Psa.46:1 God is our refuge...a very present help in trouble
Psa.109:31 He shall stand at [his] right hand...to save him

D. THE LORD'S GUARDIAN ANGELS PROTECT YOU:

Psa.34:7 The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, & delivereth them
Psa.91:11,12 He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways
Isa.63:9 In affliction...angel of His presence saved them
Dan.3:28 God...hath sent his angel, & delivered His servants that trusted in Him
Dan.6:20,22 God hath sent His angel, & shut the lions' mouths
(See also Exo.14:19,20; 23:20; 2Ki.6:15-18; 2Chr.32:20, 21 & 2Ki.19:35; Acts 5:19; 12:6-10.)

E. REST IN THE LORD, TRUSTING GOD TO PROTECT YOU:

Exo.14:14 Lord shall fight for you, & ye shall hold your peace
Exo.33:14 My presence shall go with thee, I will give thee rest
Psa.112:7,8 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed (steadfast), trusting in the Lord
Psa.118:6,7 The Lord is on my side; what can man do unto me?

F. THANK THE LORD FOR PROTECTING YOU:

Psa.5:11 Let them shout for joy, because Thou defendest them
Psa.28:7 I am helped...with my song will I praise Him
Psa.59:16,17 I will sing of Thy power...for Thou hast been my defence & refuge in the day of my trouble
Psa.98:1 Sing unto the Lord...His right hand, & His holy arm, hath gotten Him the victory

3. THE LORD CAN PROTECT YOU FROM:

A. THE ENEMY'S TRAPS & SNARES:

Psa.91:3 He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler
Psa.124:6,7 Blessed be the Lord, Who hath not given us as a prey ...(we are) escaped as a bird out of the snare
Psa.141:10 Let wicked fall into their own nets, whilst I escape

B. DISEASE & EPIDEMICS:

Exo.15:26 I will put none of these diseases upon thee
Deut.7:15 The Lord will take away from thee all...evil diseases... but will lay them upon all them that hate thee

Psa.91:3 He shall deliver thee from...the (perilous) pestilence
Psa.91:10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling

C. INJURY:

Psa.34:20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken
Psa.91:11,12 Angels...bear thee up...lest thou dash thy foot
Mk.16:18a If they drink any deadly thing, shall not hurt them

D. FIRE & BURNING:

Psa.29:7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire
Isa.43:2b When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee
Dan.3:25,27 These men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed

E. DROWNING:

Psa.107:23-30 [The Lord can save you from terrible storms at sea]
Isa.43:2a When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee...they shall not overflow thee
Mat.8:23-27 There arose a great tempest...He rebuked the winds & sea...was a great calm (See also Mat.14:23-32)
Acts 27:14-44 Exceedingly tossed with a tempest...all hope taken away ...it came to pass, they all escaped safe to land
(See also Jon.1:4,11-17; 2:3,10; 1Pet.3:20; Gen.7:23.)

F. DEATH:

Psa.41:2 The Lord will preserve him, & keep him alive
Dan.6:27 He delivereth & rescueth, & He...hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions

G. DANGERS WHILE TRAVELLING:

Gen.28:15 I will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, & will bring thee again into this land
Exo.23:20 I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, & to bring thee into the place which I have prepared
Deut.28:6 Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, & blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out
Psa.105:13-15 When they went from one nation to another...He suffered no man to do them wrong
Psa.121:8 The Lord shall preserve thy going out & thy coming in
Psa.139:9,10 If I take the wings of the morning...Thy right hand shall hold me
Pro.2:8 He keepeth...the way of His saints

Jn.10:4 When He putteth forth His sheep, He goeth before them
(See also Exo.33:14,15; Psa.37:23; Isa.55:12a; 63:9.)

H. EVERY KIND OF EVIL:

Job 5:19-22 He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee
Psa.46:1-3 God is our refuge...therefore will not we fear, though ...the mountains be carried into
the...sea
Psa.121:7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil
Lk.10:19 I give you power...nothing shall by any means hurt you
2Thes.3:3 The Lord is faithful, who shall...keep you from evil
2Tim.4:18 The Lord shall deliver me from every evil work

4. PROTECTION FROM YOUR ENEMIES:

A. THE LORD WILL PROTECT THE OBEDIENT FROM THEIR ENEMIES:

Exo.14:14 The Lord shall fight for you
Exo.23:22 I will be an enemy unto thine enemies
2Sam.22:49 Thou hast lifted me above them that rose up against me: Thou hast delivered me from
the violent man
2Ki.17:39 The Lord your God ye shall fear; & He shall deliver you out of the hand of all your
enemies
2Chr.32:8 With us is the Lord our God...to fight our battles
Psa.18:16,17 He delivered me from my strong enemy...for they were too strong for me
Psa.35:1-6 Fight against them that fight against me...draw out the spear, & stop the way...let them
be turned back
Psa.41:2b Thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies
Psa.97:10 He delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked
Psa.138:7 Thou shalt stretch forth Thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, & Thy right hand
shall save me
Jer.39:17 I will deliver thee...thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou art
afraid

B. EVEN THOUGH THEY FIGHT YOU, YOU WILL BE SAFE:

Deut.3:22 Ye shall not fear them...God shall fight for you
Deut.20:1,3,4 When thou goest out to battle...the Lord...goeth with you, to fight for you against your
enemies
Psa.3:6 I will not be afraid of 10,000's of people...against me

Psa.21:8,11 They intended evil...which they are not able to perform
Psa.37:32,33 The wicked...seeketh to slay (the righteous). The Lord will not leave him in his hand
Psa.118:13 Thou hast thrust sore at me...but the Lord helped me
Isa.54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper
Jer.1:19 They shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail ...for I am with thee to deliver thee
(See also Psa.2:1-5)

C. GOD CAN CAUSE YOUR ENEMIES TO FALL & FAIL:

2Chr.20:12-22 [Moab, Ammon & Edom attacked Judah, but the Lord confounded them, & they were utterly destroyed]
Job 5:12,13 He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands cannot perform their enterprise
Isa.8:10 Take counsel together, & it shall come to nought...it shall not stand: for God is with us
(See also Isa.7:7)
Isa.41:11-13 They that strive with thee shall perish...they that war against thee shall be as nothing
Isa.54:15 Whoever shall gather together against thee shall fall
Isa.54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper

D. HE CAN WARN YOUR ENEMIES TO NOT HURT YOU:

Gen.31:22-24, 29 [God warned Laban in a dream to do no harm to Jacob]
Mat.27:19 [Though Pilate gave Jesus up to be crucified, God was faithful to warn him through his wife]
(See also Gen.12:14-20; 20:1-8.)

E. THE LORD CAN PROTECT YOU WHILE JUDGING YOUR ENEMIES:

Gen.19:22-25 [Angel told Lot:] Escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither
Exo.8:22 Land...in which My people dwell, no swarms of flies
Exo.9:26 The land...where children of Israel were...no hail
Exo.11:7 Lord doth put a difference between Egyptians & Israel
Josh.6:20-22 [The walls of Jericho fell down, except for the part where Rahab's house was] (See also Josh.2:12-15)
Psa.78:43-53 [Hebrews delivered safely while Egyptians plagued]
Psa.91:7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, & ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee

5. SPECIAL PROTECTION PROMISED IN THE LAST DAYS:

Lk.21:17,18 Ye shall be hated of all nations...but there shall not an hair of your head perish
Rev.7:3 Hurt not the earth...till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads
Rev.9:3,4 [Locusts will] hurt...only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads
Rev.11:3,5,6 If any man will [try to] hurt them (two witnesses), fire ...devoureth their enemies

6. CONDITIONS FOR HAVING GOD'S PROTECTION:

A. FAITH IN GOD IS ESSENTIAL:

Psa.37:40 The Lord shall...deliver them from the wicked...because they trust in Him
Dan.6:23 No manner of hurt was found upon him (Daniel), because he believed in his God
1Pet.1:5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith
(See also Psa.33:22)

B. YOU MUST PRAY IN TIME OF NEED:

Gen.32:1-12 [Jacob's earnest prayer for protection from Esau & his 400 men] (See also vs.24-30)
2Sam.22:4 I will call on Lord, so shall I be saved from enemies
Psa.34:17 The righteous cry, & the Lord...delivereth them
Psa.50:15 Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver
(See also Psa.18:6; 59:1-3a.)

C. YOU MUST LOVE & FEAR THE LORD:

2Chr.16:9a [The Lord shows] Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him
Psa.31:23 Love the Lord...for the Lord preserveth the faithful
Psa.33:18,19 The eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him...to deliver their soul from death
Psa.34:7 Angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, & delivereth them
Psa.91:14,15 Because he hath set his love upon Me, I will deliver
Psa.145:20 The Lord preserveth all them that love Him
(See also Pro.16:7)

D. YOU MUST STAY VERY CLOSE TO THE LORD:

Psa.57:1b In the shadow of Thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast
Psa.91:1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty

E. YOU MUST BE OBEDIENT & DO GOOD:

Exo.23:22 If thou indeed obey His voice...[the Lord will protect]
Psa.34:17 The righteous cry, & the Lord...delivereth them

Psa.41:1,2	Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble
Psa.81:13,14	Oh that My people had hearkened unto Me...I should have...turned My hand against their adversaries
Pro.1:33	Whoso hearkeneth unto Me shall dwell safely
Dan.6:16	God Whom thou servest continually...will deliver thee
1Pet.3:12	The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, & His ears are open unto their prayers (See also Psa.7:10; 1Pet.3:13.)

F. THE IMPORTANCE OF DOING YOUR PART & OBEYING:

Heb.11:7	Noah...prepared an ark to the saving of his house (See also Gen.6:12-14,22; 7:1,11,17-23.)
Heb.11:31	The harlot Rahab perished not...when she [hid the spies & hung down the red cord] (See also Josh.2:4-21)
Exo.12:21-23	[The Hebrews were required to paint blood on their doorpost so that the destroyer would pass over]

G. DON'T BE RECKLESS, FOOLHARDY OR DISOBEDIENT:

1Ki.22:1-4, 29-37	[King warned <u>not</u> to go to battle; he went, disguised as a common soldier, & was killed by a stray arrow]
2Chr.35:20-24	[King Josiah rashly went out to fight the Egyptians, who didn't <u>want</u> to battle with him, & he was killed]
Pro.16:5	Though hand join in hand (join forces for strength), he (the proud in heart) shall not be unpunished
Hos.8:3	Israel hath cast off the thing that is good: the enemy shall pursue him
Mat.4:5-7	The devil...saith unto Him, Cast Thyself down...Jesus saith, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God
Acts 19:29-31	[The disciples & Paul's friends advise him not to "adventure himself" into the bloodthirsty mob]
Acts 21:17-30	[Paul went to Jerusalem despite God's warnings--See Acts 20:22,23; 21:4,10-14.]

7. SOME EXAMPLES OF DIVINE PROTECTION:

Gen.19:15-17	[The angels of the Lord helped Lot & his family to escape the doomed city of Sodom]
Gen.35:5	[God made Canaanites afraid to pursue His people]
Gen.45:5-7	[Jacob's brothers sold him as a slave into Egypt, but God preserved him, & turned the situation to good]
Exo.12:21-23	[The angel of the Lord smote the Egyptians, but passed over the Hebrews' houses]
Exo.14:9,10	[The angel of the Lord & pillar of fire went between the Hebrews & the pursuing]

19,20	Egyptian army]
Josh.3:10-17	[God held back the swollen, flooded Jordan river, so that millions of Hebrews could cross it safely]
Josh.10:11-14	[The Lord sent hailstones to smite Joshua's enemies, as well as delaying the sun's setting for him]
1Sa.17:34-39	[The Lord delivered David from a lion, a bear & Goliath]
2Ki.6:24;	[Syrians besieged Samaria, but] the Lord made (them)
7:5b,6,7	to hear a noise of chariots...& they fled
Dan.6:16-22	[The Lord protected Daniel in the lion's den]
Jon.1:15,17;	The Lord prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah [It kept him from drowning, & took
2:10	him to his destination]
Mat.2:13-16	[The Lord warned Joseph in a dream to flee with Mary & baby Jesus into Egypt]

Special chapters:

Psa.91	The "Protection Psalm" (See also Psa.121; 124.)
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