

Psalm 91: God's Protective Presence

A simple analysis

¹ He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

² I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."

³ Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler And from the perilous pestilence.

⁴ He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler.

⁵ You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, Nor of the arrow that flies by day,

⁶ Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness, Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday.

⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you.

⁸ Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked.

⁹ Because you have made the LORD, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place,

¹⁰ No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;

¹¹ For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways.

¹² In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

¹³ You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.

¹⁴ "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name.

¹⁵ He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him.

¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."

Those Who...

- Dwell in the Most High's secret place and abide under His shadow (vs. 1)
- Make the LORD their refuge and fortress (vs. 2)
- Trust in the LORD (vs. 2)
- Make the LORD Most High their refuge and dwelling place (vs. 9)
- Love Him and "know" His name (vs. 14)
- Call upon Him (vs. 15)

...will experience God's Protection...

- He delivers from "the snare of the fowler and from the perilous pestilence" (vs. 3)
- He covers with His "feathers" and gives refuge under His "wings" (vs. 4)
- His truth shields (vs. 4)
- Angels protect (vs. 11-12)
- He delivers (vs. 14-15)
- He answers prayer (vs. 15)
- He is with those in trouble (vs. 15)
- He delivers and honors (vs. 15)
- He gives long life (vs. 16)
- He shows His salvation (vs. 16)

and they will also...

- Not be afraid of night terrors, daytime arrows, pestilence in darkness, or destruction at noonday (vs. 5-6)
- Not experience the wicked's destruction (vs. 7-8)
- Not experience evil or plagues near their dwelling (vs. 10)
- Tread upon "the lion", "cobra", "young lion" and "the serpent" – the enemy (vs. 13)
- Be "set on high" (vs. 14)

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