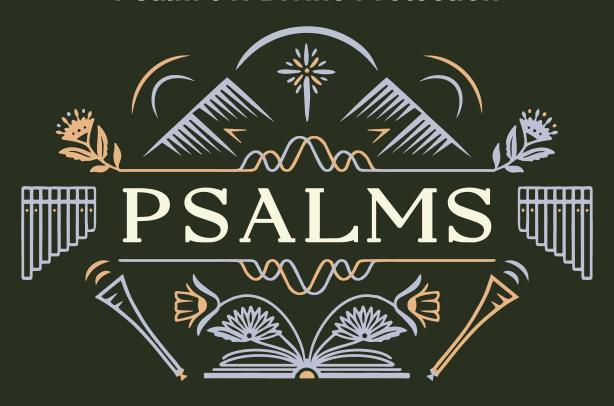
Psalm 91: Divine Protection



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- ¹ He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- ² I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
- ³ For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

- ⁴ He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- ⁵ You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,
- ⁶ nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

- ⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
- ⁸ You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.
- ⁹ Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place—

the Most High, who is my refuge—

- ¹⁰ no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.
- ¹¹ For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- ¹² On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

- ¹³ You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- ¹⁴ "Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.

- ¹⁵ When he calls to me, I will answer him;
 - I will be with him in trouble;
 - I will rescue him and honor him.
- ¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

The Promise

vs.1-4

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Job 1:1

There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job, and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

Job 1:8

And the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?"

Job 42:7

The Lord said to Eliphaz the Temanite: "My anger burns against you and against your two friends, for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has.

Luke 4:9-11

If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written,

- " 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'
- ¹¹ and
 - " 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.' "

Psalm 91:14-16

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It is impossible that any ill should happen to the man who is beloved of the Lord; the most crushing calamities can only shorten his journey and hasten him to his reward. III to him is not ill, but only good in a mysterious form. Losses enrich him, sickness is his medicine, reproach is his honor, death is his gain. No evil in the strict sense of the word can happen to him for everything is overruled for good. Happy is he who is in such a case. He is secure where others are in peril, he lives where others die. - C.H Spurgeon

Romans 9:28

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good