

PSALM 91

VERSE TO MEMORIZE

*"I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress;
My God, in Him I will trust." -Psalm 91:2*

CHALLENGE

What are you particularly anxious about these days, for which God is waiting on you to call his name and acknowledge your need? Make God your dwelling place, your refuge, your shield, in times of trouble.

QUESTIONS

1. In verses 1 & 2, what four names of God does the psalmist use?
2. When talking to God, do you ever use these names?
3. What other names can you think of? (Gen 17:1; Ex 3:14; Joshua 22:22; Luke 1:31; 2 Peter 1:17)
4. What does it mean to dwell in the shelter of the Most High?
5. What types of disasters are discussed in verses 3 through 8? Notice the elements of surprise and danger.
 - What image of God do you prefer: mother hen, shield, fortress, immune system, force field? Why?
 - Notice in verses 5 & 6 it talks about darkness and light. What can we deduct from this about God's uninterrupted care?
 - Read verse 7. Is the effectiveness of God's protection diminished by the danger we are in? (Remember the plagues in Egypt?)

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6. Read verses 9 & 10. Is God's protection available to everyone? What does it mean to make God your dwelling place?
 - Does God's protection mean Christians are immune from any and all harm?
 - If you are living by faith, are you living dangerously? Does God want us to play it safe?
 - Can you think of an instance when you were miraculously delivered or protected "against all odds"?

7. Read verses 11 & 12. Where in the New Testament are these verses quoted and by whom? Read Luke 4:9-13. How did Satan distort this

8. Since our enemy misinterpreted and misapplied this scripture to our Lord, can we expect him to attempt to distort its message in our lives? Explain.

9. Does verse 11 indicate that angels are watching over you, protecting you? Do you think you've ever seen an angel? Explain.

10. What do you think angels look like, and what do they spend their time doing? Read Hebrews 1:14 and 13:1-2.

11. Read verses 14 -16. What two keys to deliverance are given in verse 14?
 - What description is given of the refuge God promises to provide?
 - Verse 15 talks about calling upon the Lord. Where else in the Bible does it talk about this? Read Matt. 7:7-8.
 - Man's most urgent need is deliverance from eternal judgment and separation from God's presence forever. Read Romans 10:9-13.

12. In what ways can we be a refuge to others?