



God Family Country

GUIDED BIBLE STUDY



The Lord Is My Refuge

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Highlighted Scripture

Psalm 27

**1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

**2 When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,
my adversaries and foes,
it is they who stumble and fall.**

**3 Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me,
yet I will be confident.**

**4 One thing have I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord
and to inquire in his temple.**

**5 For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;**

**he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will lift me high upon a rock.**

**6 And now my head shall be lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

**7 Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;
be gracious to me and answer me!**

**8 You have said, "Seek my face."
My heart says to you,
"Your face, Lord, do I seek."**

**9 Hide not your face from me.
Turn not your servant away in anger,
O you who have been my help.
Cast me not off; forsake me not,
O God of my salvation!**

**10 For my father and my mother have forsaken me,
but the Lord will take me in.**

**11 Teach me your way, O Lord,
and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.**

**12 Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;
for false witnesses have risen against me,
and they breathe out violence.**

**13 I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living!**

**14 Wait for the Lord;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!**

Discussion Questions

- 1. Which part of Psalm 27 stands out most to you in this season of your life? Why?**
- 2. When you think about global persecution or spiritual opposition, how does Psalm 27 strengthen your faith?**
- 3. What does it practically look like for you to make the Lord your “light,” “salvation,” and “stronghold”?**
- 4. How does remembering Christ’s first coming (Christmas) give you confidence as you await His return?**
- 5. In what ways can you step into 2026 with renewed boldness, courage, and faithfulness to God?**

Reflection Challenge

This week, meditate on Psalm 27—particularly the parts that speak about confidence, courage, and God’s protection.

Choose one verse and pray it daily.

Let it reshape how you respond to fear, uncertainty, or spiritual pressure.

As Christmas approaches, take intentional time to remember the reason Jesus came:

to save, to secure, and to be our refuge.

Ask God to help you walk into the new year with unshakable confidence in His presence and His victory.

Prayer

Lord God,

Thank You for being our refuge, our salvation, and our strength.

In a world filled with uncertainty, persecution, and trouble, remind us that You are our stronghold.

Teach us to wait on You with courage and confidence.

Help us remember who Jesus is — our Savior, our protector, and our coming King.

Strengthen Your people at Thunder Canyon and beyond.

Unite us in courage, in purpose, and in faithful service to You.

May we step into the days ahead with boldness, knowing that if You are for us, no one can stand against us.

In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.

