

WORKING ON MY CONFIDENCE

Pastor Rodney Julian

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I lift my eyes toward the mountains. Where will my help come from? 2 My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. 3 He will not allow your foot to slip; your Protector will not slumber. 4 Indeed, the Protector of Israel does not slumber or sleep. 5 The Lord protects you; the Lord is a shelter right by your side. 6 The sun will not strike you by day or the moon by night. 7 The Lord will protect you from all harm; he will protect your life. 8 The Lord will protect your coming and going both now and forever.

Psalm 121:1-8 (CSB)

1. Journey (v1)

Focus will hold you together when fear threatens to tear you apart.

I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Philippians 3:14 (NLT)

2. Help (v2)

It's less about who you were and more about who you're becoming.

So we can say with confidence, "The LORD is my helper, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?"

Hebrews 13:6 (NLT)

3. Presence (vv3-4)

Yes, [the Psalms] often come out into the light by the end, with a fresh sense of God's presence and hope, not to explain the trouble but to provide reassurance within it.

N.T. Wright (New Testament scholar)



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"When you pray, don't babble like the Gentiles, since they imagine they'll be heard for their many words. Don't be like them, because your Father knows the things you need before you ask him. Therefore, you should pray like this: Our Father in heaven, your name be honored as holy. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

-Matthew 6:7-10 (CSB)

"Repent, because the kingdom of heaven has come near."

-Matthew 4:17 (CSB)

"Through Jesus, our sins are already forgiven. Yet, because of the 'not yet,' we still struggle with the power of sin in our lives. Through Jesus, our salvation is already guaranteed. We're promised complete healing and restoration when Christ comes again. But because of the 'not yet,' our bodies still get sick and we still struggle with doubts and fears."

-Timothy Peck - pastor, scholar

"Your kingdom come. Your will be done."

- Matthew 6:10) (CSB)

1. God's will must always come first.

"My life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus."

-Acts 20:24 (NLT)

2. God's will is always best.

3. God's fully realized kingdom is on its way.

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"In that day the wolf and the lamb will live together; the leopard will lie down with the baby goat. The calf and the yearling will be safe with the lion, and a little child will lead them all. The cow will graze near the bear. The cub and the calf will lie down together. The lion will eat hay like a cow. The baby will play safely near the hole of a cobra. Yes, a little child will put its hand in a nest of deadly snakes without harm. Nothing will hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, for as the waters fill the sea, so the earth will be filled with people who know the Lord."

-Isaiah 11:6-9 (NLT)

"After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know!' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes!'"

-Revelation 7:9-17 (ESV)

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4. Shelter (vv5-6)

God, you're such a safe and powerful place to find refuge! You're a proven help in time of trouble—more than enough and always available whenever I need you.

Psalm 46:1 (TPT)

5. Protect (vv-7-8)

25 "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

Daniel 3:25 (NKJV)

But the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengtheners, Standby), the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name [in My place, to represent Me and act on My behalf], He will teach you all things. And He will help you remember everything that I have told you.

John 14:26 (AMP)



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