HOW TO RECEIVE GODS HELP

PSALM 91

Psalm 91

- 1 He that dwelleth 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 will I trust.
- 3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.
- 4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

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- 5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
- 6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.
- 7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.
- 8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
- 9 Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;

Psalm 91 - continued

- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
- 12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
- 13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.
- 14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath 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 honour him.
 16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

Introduction

- A. Many examples of those delivered in the Bible
 - 1. David From the paw of the lion and bear (1 Samuel 17:37)
 - 2. The three Hebrew children from the furnace (Daniel 3:27)
 - 3. Daniel in the lion's den (Daniel 6:22)
 - **4.** The Apostles (Acts **5:18-19**)
 - 5. Peter from prison (Acts 12:7)
 - 6. Paul and Silas from prison (Acts 16:28)
 - 7. Paul and those in the shipwreck (Acts 27:44)

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- B. We should be encouraged that deliverance is available (v 14)
- 2 Peter 2:9

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

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C. We need to ask for help

Psalm 34:6

This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

Psalm 46:1

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

I. God's Presence (v 1)

A. Fellowship awaits us in the presence of God.

John 1:12

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

B. Safety exists in God's presence

Psalm 4:8

I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou,

LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.

I. God's Presence (v 1)

C. We should practice God's presence Hebrews 13:5

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

II. God's Power (vv 2-4)

A. God is omnipotent

John 1:3

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

Psalm 19:1

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

II. God's Power (vv 2-4)

- B. He is abundantly able to meet all our needs Proverbs 21:1
- The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.
- C. He can keep us secure in Him
- 2 Timothy 1:12
- For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

III. God's Providence (vv 5-8)

A. Providence means "the act of providing" Psalm 115:12

The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.

III. God's Providence (vv 5-8)

- B. God provides an escape from trial and temptation 1 Corinthians 10:13
- There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.
- C. He is always there
- Hebrews 13:8
- Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

IV. God's Protection (vv 10-11)

- A. Distance is no problem with God
- Psalm 139:7-10
- 7 Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
- 8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.
- 9 If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
- 10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

IV. God's Protection (vv 10-11)

B. As we pray He reaches down to protect Hebrews 13:6

So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

2 Timothy 4:18

And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

V. God's Promises (vv 14-16)

- A. The promises of God are great and many 2 Peter 2:4
- Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

V. God's Promises (vv 14-16)

- B. They cannot fail because God cannot fail
- 2 Corinthians 1:20
- For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

Romans 4:21

And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

V. God's Promises (vv 14-16)

C. We can claim His promises only as we meet his condition in setting "our love on" Him. (v 14) Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

Need Help?

God Can Help