



I. INTRODUCTION

A. Psalm 91 Sunday

Psalm 91 (NLT) ¹ Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ² This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. ³ For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease. ⁴ He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection. ⁵ Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day. ⁶ Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday. ⁷ Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you.

⁸ Just open your eyes, and see how the wicked are punished. ⁹ If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter, ¹⁰ no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home. ¹¹ For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go. ¹² They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone. ¹³ You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet! ¹⁴ The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. ¹⁵ When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them. ¹⁶ I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation."

II. GOD IS A PROTECTOR

A. Who has all the power?

Ecclesiastes 4:1-2 (TLB) Next I observed all the oppression and sadness throughout the earth—the tears of the oppressed, and no one helping them, while on the side of their oppressors were powerful allies. ² So I felt that the dead were better off than the living.

B. God is a protector

- Rest in the shadow of the Almighty
- He is my refuge and my fortress
- I'll find refuge under the shadow of his wings
- His faithfulness will be your shield

Isaiah 54:14-15, 17 (NKJV) ¹⁴ In righteousness you shall be established; you shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; and from terror, for it shall not come near you. ¹⁵ Indeed they shall surely assemble, *but* not because of Me. Whoever assembles against you shall fall for your sake... ¹⁷ No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue which rises against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is from Me," Says the Lord.

- **Heritage:** A person's unique, inherited sense of family identity: values, traditions, culture, and artifacts handed down by previous generations. We absorb a sense of our heritage throughout our lives as we observe and experience the things that make our family unique.

C. Through the New Birth you are a child of God



Romans 8:16-17 (NIV) ¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. ¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

III. THIS WORLD IS A DANGEROUS PLACE TO LIVE

- A. This earth is a dangerous place to live
- Being a Christian doesn’t make God’s protection automatic

John 10:10 (NIV) “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

- B. We have an adversary, and he’s been defeated

Luke 10:18-19 (NIV) ¹⁸ He replied, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

- C. So what do we do?

IV. LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

- A. The Decision

Psalm 91:1 (NLT) Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

Psalm 91:9 (NLT) If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,

Psalm 91:14 (NLT) The Lord says, “I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.

- B. Do you love Jesus?

John 14:15 (NLT) ¹⁵ “If you love me, obey my commandments.”

John 14:23-24 (NLT) ²³ Jesus replied, “All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them. ²⁴ Anyone who doesn’t love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me.”

John 15:10 (NLT) ¹⁰ “When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father’s commandments and remain in his love.”

- C. The storm is coming (Matthew 7)



Psalm 91:4 (NLT) ⁴ He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.

D. How do I do this?

- Get the Psalm 91 card and read it everyday
- Pray it over everything everyday
- Declare it out loud

The presence of trouble does not mean the absence of God.

Psalm 91:7-9 (NKJV) A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; *But* it shall not come near you.

Jeremiah 6:16a (NIV) This is what the Lord says: “Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls.”