



# PSALM 91

# GOD'S PROTECTION

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Psalm 91:1–16 (NIV2011)

1 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the LORD, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.” 3 Surely he will save you from the fowler’s snare and from the deadly pestilence. 4 He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. 5 You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, 6 nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. 7 A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. 8 You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. 9 If you say, “The LORD is my refuge,” and you make the Most High your dwelling, 10 no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent. 11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; 12 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. 13 You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent. 14 “Because he loves me,” says the LORD, “I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. 15 He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. 16 With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.”

Psalm 91 is one of the most famous psalms in the Bible. It is also a **prayer for protection and deliverance from danger, calamity, and demons**

Dear Lord, I feel as if I'm in the middle of a chaotic wilderness. Everything around me is bleak and hostile, I can hardly maintain my composure. Help me to face my fears and insecurities with courage, knowing that You are watching over me. In Jesus Name Amen.



Psalm 91 point to a hostile environment. The mention of an adder, serpent, lion (Psalm 91:13), stone (Psalm 91:12), deadly pestilences (Psalms 91:3,10), immediately transports us to a wilderness setting. A place of Danger.

Psalm 91 is set against the harsh realities of wilderness, war, and disease where neither night nor day brings peace.

Psalm 91 is a beautiful passage of scripture. It was written by David to describe the protection and care God will provide for those who trust Him. Yet, as we read this psalm, it brings us back to our current world where so many people are living in precarious circumstances.

As God's people, we will face difficulties in life that make us feel as if we are literally living in the wilderness, and alone.

Psalm 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all

רָאָה (רָאָה) Afflictions” is the translation of a Hebrew noun“ that means bad or evil things, such as “many troubles, s.many hardships, and perplexing circumstances, adversities

The wilderness setting of Psalm 91 is suggestive of the world in which we now live.

We can easily identify with being constantly threatened by war, disease, pestilence, and other threats that seem more life-threatening than ever before on some days.

With all these difficulties facing us there may be times when even night doesn't bring peace or day does not assure safety from danger.

The psalmist David directs our minds from the present difficulties, death, and destruction, to a place where abundant life thrives.

### **What Is the Message of Psalm 91?**

The wilderness threats mentioned in Psalm 91 (pestilence, war, and wild animals) all demonstrate the various methods that God works to care for and protect His people.



Whether we're facing danger or temptation, God is with us and will keep us safe. Psalm 91 does not guarantee us immunity from troubles.

God did not intend for us to use Psalm 91 as a magic ward to ward off problems.

The Bible teaches that “all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution” (2 Timothy 3:12, KJV).

But in the midst of the things, we may face God  
will sustain and protect us for His “grace is  
sufficient” for us. God’s promise of protection  
does not imply that we would not face trouble.

**WHAT DOES IT  
MEAN TO DWELL  
IN THE SECRET  
PLACE OF THE  
MOST HIGH?**



Psalm 91:1-2 (KJV)

- 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.

As we study Psalm 91, you will come to understand God's divine plan for His children in a violent world. The first verse is so inspiring, it says, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."

Here, he's talking about your location in the Spirit; your dwelling place: you dwell in Him. Therefore, you're under the shadow, that is, the cover or protection, of the Almighty God.



But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.

Galatians 3:28 (NIV2011)

28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, **for you are all one in Christ Jesus.**

TO DWELL

, yāshab יָשַׁב :Dwell

"to dwell, sit, abide, inhabit, remain

IT IS WHERE YOU LIVE

A SERECT is a piece of  
information that is only known  
by one person or a few people

**SECRET**

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To Say is to make a confession

Hebrews 10:23 (NKJV)

23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without  
wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

A refuge is a condition of being safe and sheltered from  
pursuit, danger, or trouble:



and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

**What is the definition of fortress in the Bible?**

Fortress means: a heavily protected, and impenetrable building. A place with EXCEPTIONAL security.

Impenetrable means: impossible to pass through, or enter.

This means in God, we are completely secure, and safe!

Psalm 91:3-4 (KJV)

- 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.

**YOU CAN GIVE HERE**

