

**HOW TO
RECEIVE GOD'S
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.

Psalm 91 - continued

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

10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

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.

Psalm 91 - continued

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.

I. God's Presence (v 1)

A. We find fellowship in the presence of God

1. We enjoy a family relationship

2. There is safety, security, and rest

B. We need to 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

Psalm 147:5

Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

Colossians 1:16

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

1 Chronicles 29:11

Thine, O Lord is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all.

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

B. He is abundantly able to meet all our needs

1. He can change circumstance and people

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.

2. He keeps us secure

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 = the act of providing

Divine guidance by loving care and intervention

Proverbs 3:6

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Psalm 73:24

Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

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

B. God promises us 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.

He directs and intervenes in unusual ways

Romans 11:33

O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

The Example of Gideon (Judges 7)

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1 Samuel 14:6-7

6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the Lord will work for us: for there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few.

7 And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that is in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I am with thee according to thy heart.

IV. God's Protection (vv 9-13)

A. Distance is no problem with God

Psalm 40:1-2

I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.



IV. God's Protection (vv 9-13)

B. We can come in confidence

Hebrew 13:6

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

John 6:37

All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.



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

A. His promises are great and many

2 Peter 1:4

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.

B. Since God cannot fail, His promises cannot fail

Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

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

C. The conditions to claim his promises (vv 14-15)

Hebrews 10:22

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

D. The results of His promises (vv 14-16)

**Am I Receiving
God's Help?**