The Soldiers Psalm Pilgrim Sojourner Traveler Mountaineer

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4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Every God Fearing Christian needs HELP

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You can never outgrow the need for God’s HELP.

Look out – Look up – Look in – look on – Look unto

* We are to be engaged in this climb
* Climbing is now dangerous
  + Many are veering off course for new belief, easy belief, (no fight)

No wrestle, no climb, no striving, no effort.

The enemy is at your right hand to frustrate your every effort.

* + The necessity for exertion is more than ever
  + God will help those who are engaged to the fullest.
    - Where discord has no place Harmony
    - Where discouragement has no place Encourage
    - Where distrust has no place Keep trusting the Lord
    - Where division has no place Peace maker

1. Looking by faith, with great confidence, absolute assurance of faith

Quest - “whence cometh my help” answer - My help cometh from the LORD

* 1. Unwavering Faith
  2. Unbending Courage
  3. Unconditional Love
     1. Abounding Love Abounding faith

2Co 8:7 ¶ Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also. Mt 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. Ga 5:6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love. Php 1:9 ¶ And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; 1Th 3:12 And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you:

2Co 4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. Php 3:20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the **Lord Jesus Christ**:

Titus 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. 15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

2Pe 3:13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. 14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

2Jo 1:8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

Jude 1:21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

* 1. Looking for help

20:2 Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion; 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, **a very present help in trouble**. 124:8 Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth. Heb 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

* 1. Looking to be kept

Ps 121:3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. (a single false step might cause us a fall with awful danger) 66:9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved. 1Pe 1:5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

* 1. Looking to be preserved

1. The eyes – Our Watch

1Co 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the **things which God hath prepared** for them that love him.

10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the **deep things of God**.

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. 15 But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

1. The Foot – Our Walk

Ge 17:1 ¶ And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. 1Sa 2:30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

1Ti 6:20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called: 2Pe 3:5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

1. The Right Hand - Our Work

2Co 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: Col 1:10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; 2Th 2:17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work. 1Ti 5:10 Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work. 2Ti 2:21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate. {reprobate: or, void of judgment} Titus 3:1 Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,

Heb 13:21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Ps 119:126 It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void thy law.

* 1. James Hutton 1795 “Theory of the earth” doubted earth 6000 yrs. old
  2. Charles Lyell 1830 “Principles of Geology” doubted the flood
  3. Charles Darwin 1859 “Origin of Species” Doubted God

Darwin started his formal schooling 1817, 8 years old. He went to small school run by Reverend George Case near his house. A year later, in 1818, he went to Shrewsbury School, where his older brother was boarding. At the age of 16, in October 1825, he attended the University of Edinburgh for a year to study medicine. On February 26, 1928, he enrolled at the University of Cambridge's Senate House.

1. The Soul – Our Warfare and Worship

Ps 121:4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. 5 The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

Ge 28:15 And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

1Pe 1:5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Joh 17:15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

2Th 3:3 But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil.

* 1. Looking to be preserved
     1. Sanctified and keep sanctifying
     2. Mercy peace, and love, multiplied

Lu 5:38 But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.

1Th 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 1:1 Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: 2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

Ps 48:1 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness.

Ps 87:1 His foundation is in the holy mountains.

Isa 2:2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. 3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

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Jer 3:23 Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel.

2:6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. 3:4 I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah. 5:7 But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple. 28:2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle. 73:17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end. 77:13 Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God?

125:1 They that trust in the LORD shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever. 2 As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the LORD is round about his people from henceforth even for ever. 132:7 We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his footstool. 133:3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore. 138:2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.

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134:3 The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion. 115:15 Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

Isa 31:5 As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it. De 32:11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: 12 So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

Isa 63:9 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

I must go to the sanctuary now to get comfort, as I went before to get instruction. What a mercy to have the privilege of drawing near to God in his ordinances! How many doubts have been solved, fears dissipated, hearts comforted, darknesses dispelled, and snares broken, while waiting on God in the means of grace!

In the sanctuary; the place where God is worshipped, and where his character and His ways and the reasons of his dealings are best learned.

The house of God is the place where he especially manifests himself to his people, and enables us to cast our cares upon him He cares for us.

Ps 67:2 That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Titus 2:10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

Isa 4:6 And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain. Isa 25:4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall. Isa 32:2 And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

Ps 121:7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. 8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Ge 45:5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life. De 31:2 And he said unto them, I am an hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in: also the LORD hath said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this Jordan. Lu 17:33 Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it

2Co 2:16 To the one we are the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things?

2Co 3:5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God;

2Co 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Php 2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Eph 6:5 Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; 6 Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;

Col 1:25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; {to fulfil...: fully preach the word}

26 Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.