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"Our source of peace and protection comes from God."

Psalm 103:1 - 4 (KJV)

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. ²Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: ³ Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; ⁴ Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies.

- Soul means our emotions.
- We are to rule over our emotions by praising God.
- The covenant of protection redeems us from destruction.
- When you come to Christ, Jesus announces the blessing over your life. Jesus becomes a covenant with God.
- Be a student of the Word of God. Know who you are in Christ and what your covenant benefits are.

Benefits of God's Covenant:

- 1. Forgiveness
- 2. Healing
- 3. Protection
- 4. Favor
- 5. Satisfaction
- 6. Long Life

2 Timothy 3:1 (AMPC)

³But understand this, that in the last days will come (set in) <u>perilous</u> times of great stress and trouble [hard to deal with and hard to bear].

- Perilous means dangerous.
- Know you have a covenant of protection.
- Our source of peace and protection comes from God.

Psalms 5:11 (TEV)

¹¹ But all who find safety in you will rejoice; they can <u>always sing for joy</u>. Protect those who love you; because of you they are truly happy.

- Walk in joy because the joy of the Lord is your strength.
- You cannot walk into the future God has for you living in fear.
- Live in joy and expectation.

Psalm 91:1-3 (KJV)

¹He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

- Psalm 91 is the Psalm of protection.
- Shows us how to access God's perfect protection, how to live in perfect peace, how to live in faith, and how to overcome fear and walk in faith, peace and joy.

- How to access the covenant of protection starts with your confession.
- React with God's word, not fear!
- Declare that God is your refuge and strength.

- Your words give God legal access into your life.
- Say, "God will deliver me."
- Legal access through your confession.
- God's perfect protection is manifested through your confession.

Isaiah 4:5 (AMPC)

⁵ And the Lord will create over the whole site, over every dwelling place of Mount Zion and over her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for over all the glory shall be a canopy (a defense of divine love and protection).

- The covering of God's protection.
- God puts a canopy or covering over us.
- The greatest defense is God's divine love and power.

Steps To Walk In God's Covenant:

- 1. Find it!
- 2. Think it!
- 3. Hear it!
- 4. Say it!
- 5. Believe it!
- 6. Obey it!
- 7. Receive it!

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.

- Discussion Questions:
 1. What are the benefits of God's covenant?
 - 2. How do you walk in God's covenant?
 - 3. Daily Declaration: "I am in covenant with God."