

**March 15, 2021**

**Text: Psalm 91:1-6**

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

**Devotion:** Terry Jannereth

My friends, so much stock is put into words, and as such, the old adage, "sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me" is taking a beating lately. A lot of the words we listen to these days are full of negative connotations, those that require no further explanation here.

Today I want to focus on words of promise, words of truth and words of fulfillment. The words that the writer of this psalm focuses on. These are words that express not only the promises MADE by our living God, but they are also words FULFILLED by God on a daily basis! Powerful words for those who put their complete trust in Him!

God is our Shelter, our Rest, our Refuge, our Safety, our Cover, our Shield and our Rampart as the writer expresses here. These words tell us clearly what God is, and what He's going to keep doing! He really does save us from the worst of things, as we put our trust completely in Christ! God's only Son journeyed to the cross to pay the ultimate sacrifice. He took our sins upon Himself to have the final WORD. The promise made from the beginning of creation and fulfilled in Jesus, is the most powerful word!

**God's WORD is truth, it has meaning and power!**

**God's WORD is fulfilled in Christ's passion! His suffering, death and Resurrection completes the victory!**

*The empty words that Satan shoots at us are powerless and meaningless as we dwell in God's protection!* Though, at times, we may still feel weakened by evil's assaults, we can overcome those arrows by resting easy in the Almighty fortress that is our God!

As you continue to focus on Christ and what He did for you on that cross, I pray that the Devil's slings and arrows will fall flat against the shield of God's mighty Word as you walk in faith!

Let's pray together!

Almighty God our Father, we thank you for your word of promise and fulfillment. We ask that you forgive us when we fail to live our lives in complete trust in You! Thank you for not waiting for us to get it right, but hurrying to our rescue through Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection. Thank you for giving us full protection and victory over sin and death! Thank you for eternal life that we share with You. In Jesus name we pray!  
Amen!