

The Soldier's Psalm

Scripture: Psalm 91

Introduction

This Psalm has been described as the soldier's Psalm. In 2 Timothy 2:3, Paul tells us to endure hardship as good soldiers.

I. The soldier's position vv. 1-4

2 Timothy 2:3-4 NIV Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs -- he wants to please his commanding officer.

- A. Under God's protection
- B. Under God's authority
 - 1. Willing to take His orders
 - 2. Faithful to his commission

II. The soldier's protection vv. 5-13

2 Corinthians 10:4-5 KJV The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds; 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Ephesians 6:13-14 NIV For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground....

- A. Protected by his Commander
- B. Protected from
 - 1. Terror at night
 - 2. Arrows in the day
 - 3. Pestilence in the night
 - 4. Plagues at midday
 - 5. Destruction that strikes those around you
- C. Conditions of His protection v. 9
- D. Means of protection vv. 10-12

III. The soldier's promise vv. 14-16

Psalm 91:14 NIV "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him for he acknowledges my name."

- A. Divine answer
- B. Divine presence
- C. Divine deliverance
- D. Divine honor
- E. Long live
- F. Divine salvation