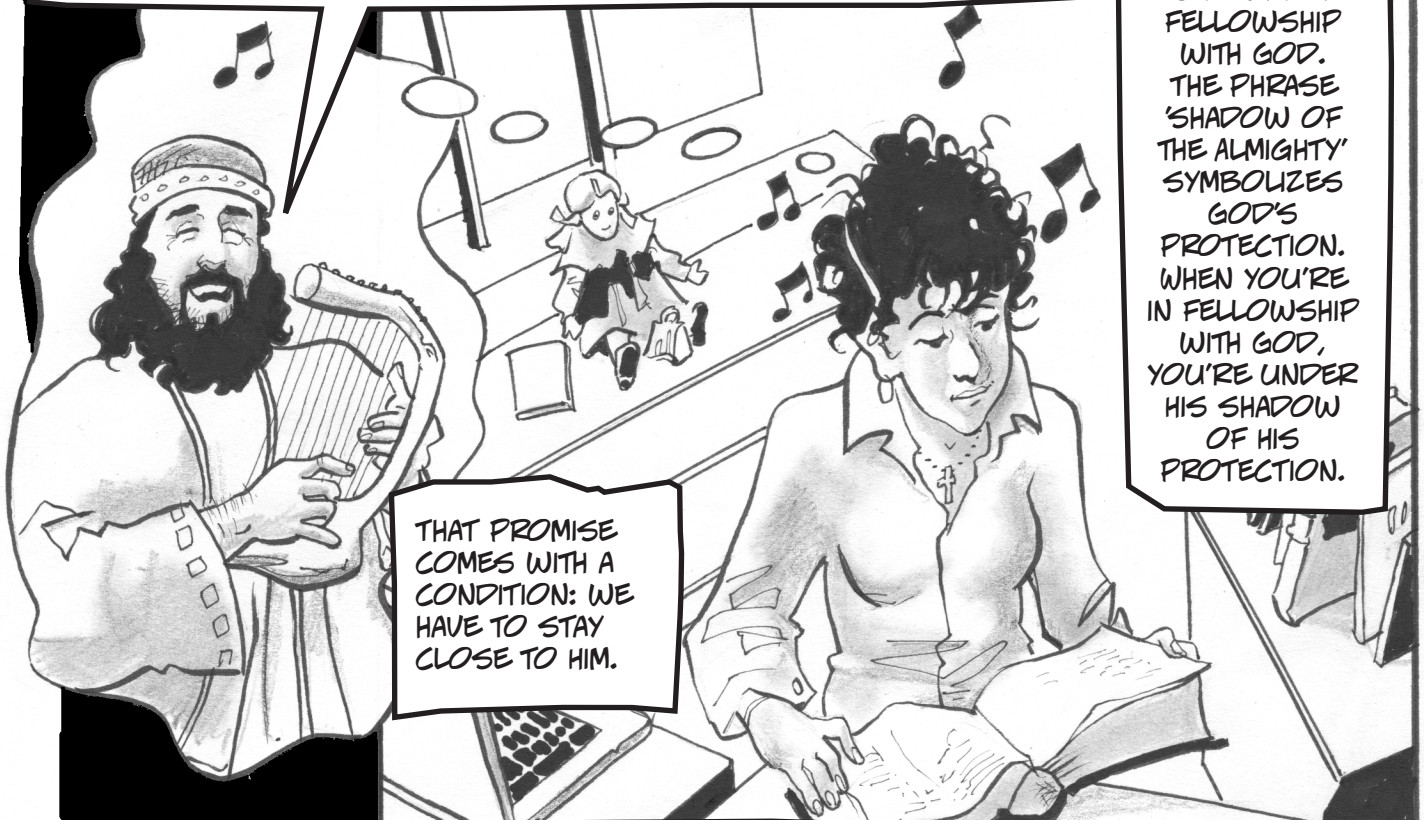


THE SECRET PLACE

A Meditation on Psalm 91

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

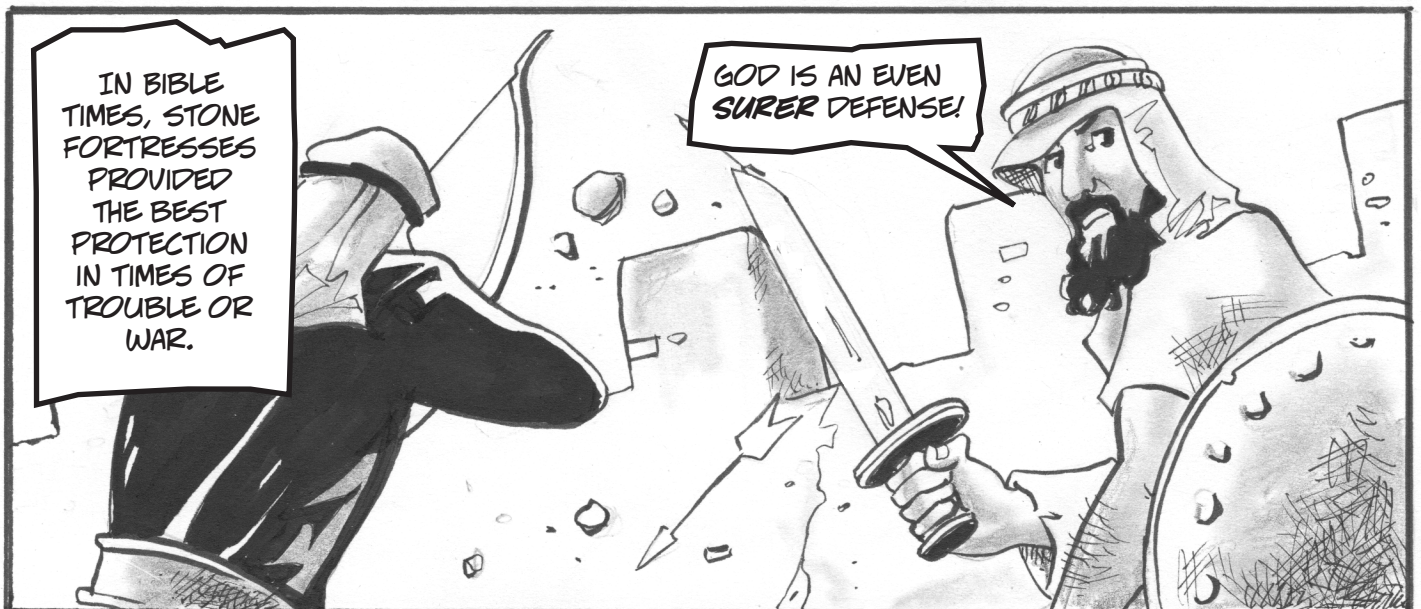


THE 'SECRET PLACE OF THE MOST HIGH' IS FOUND IN FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD. THE PHRASE 'SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY' SYMBOLIZES GOD'S PROTECTION. WHEN YOU'RE IN FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD, YOU'RE UNDER HIS SHADOW OF HIS PROTECTION.

THAT PROMISE COMES WITH A CONDITION: WE HAVE TO STAY CLOSE TO HIM.

WE DO THAT BY READING AND DOING OUR BEST TO FOLLOW HIS WORD IN THE BIBLE, BY KEEPING HIM AND HIS SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES PRESENT IN OUR THOUGHTS AND DECISIONS.

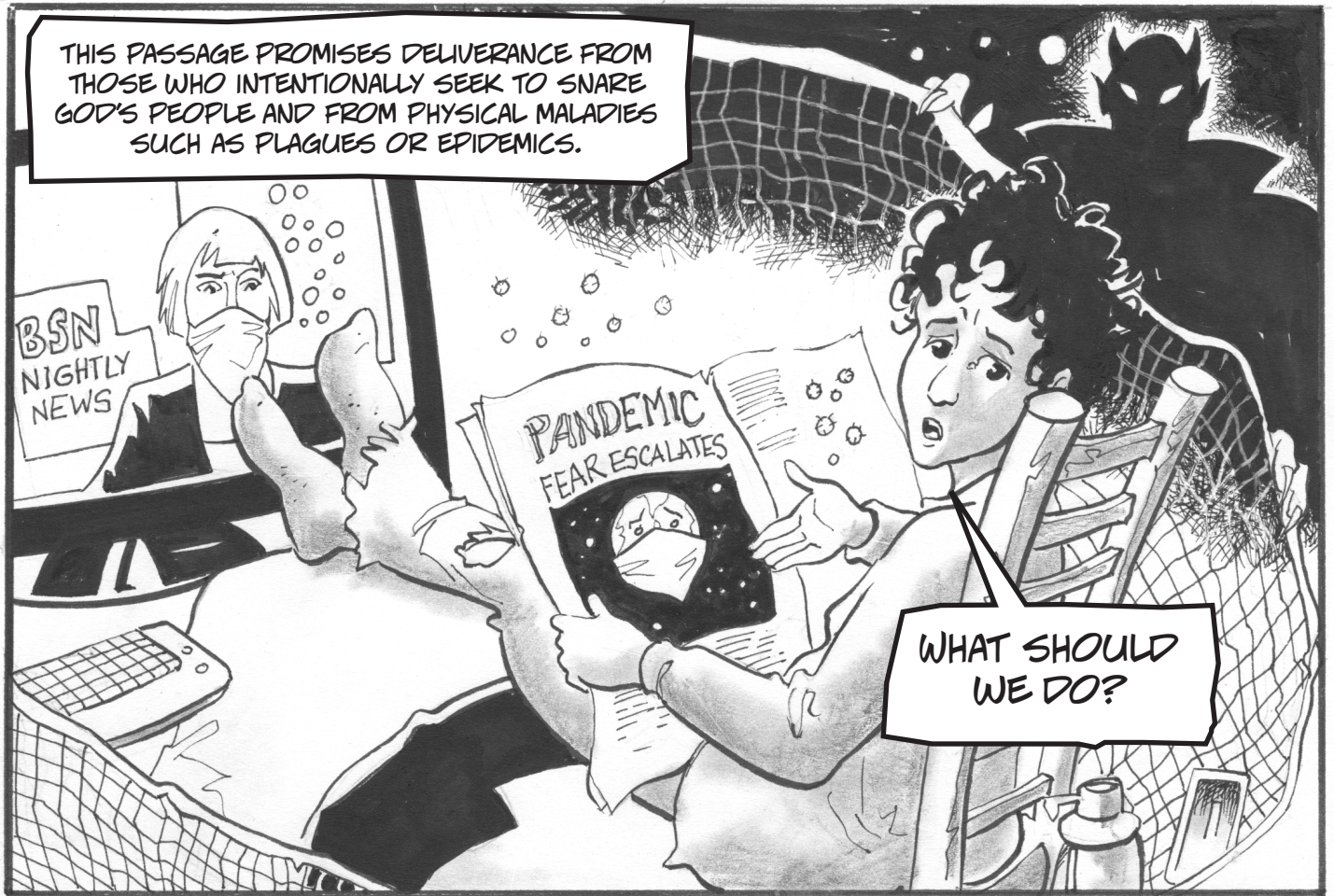
Verse 2: I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust.



IN BIBLE TIMES, STONE FORTRESSES PROVIDED THE BEST PROTECTION IN TIMES OF TROUBLE OR WAR.

GOD IS AN EVEN **SURER** DEFENSE!

Verse 3: Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence



Verse 4a: He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust.

Verse 4b: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.



THE PICTURE IS OF GOD KEEPING HIS CHILDREN SAFE, LIKE A HEN SPREADS HER WINGS OVER HER CHICKS TO PROTECT THEM.

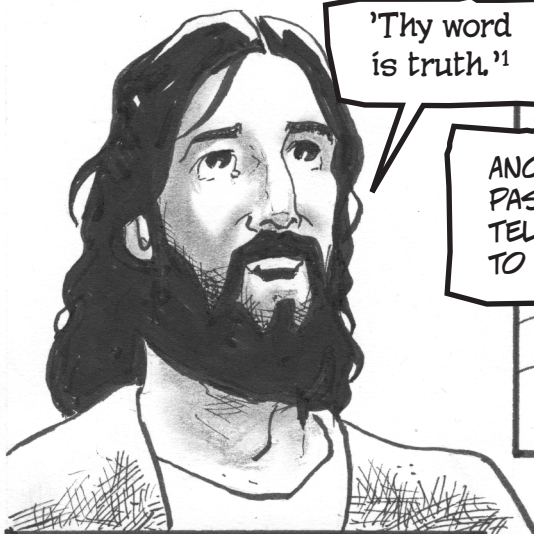


A BUCKLER WAS A SMALL SHIELD, ABOUT THE SIZE AND SHAPE OF A DINNER PLATE, WHICH PROTECTED A SOLDIER'S WRIST.

(See the story "The Little Red Hen" [here](#).)

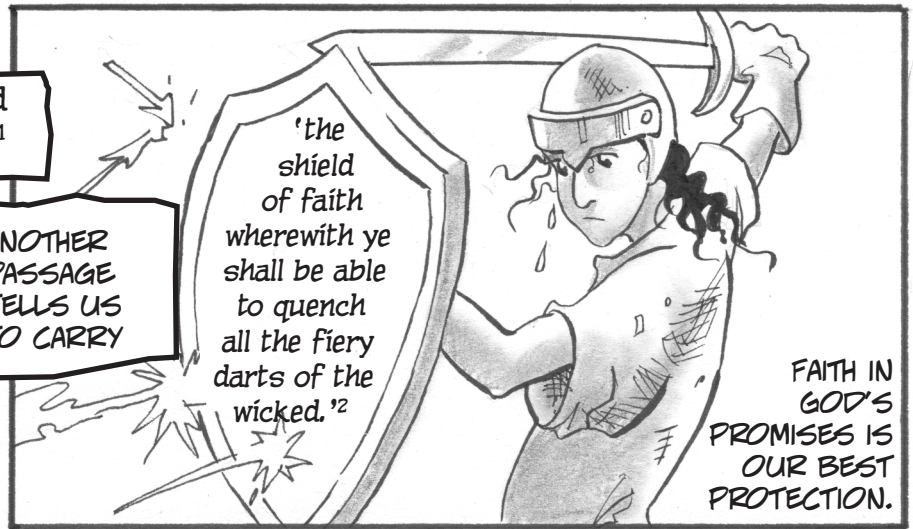
What is the truth of God?

JESUS ONCE SAID IN A PRAYER
TO HIS FATHER,



'Thy word
is truth.'

ANOTHER
PASSAGE
TELLS US
TO CARRY



'the
shield
of faith
wherewith ye
shall be able
to quench
all the fiery
darts of the
wicked.'

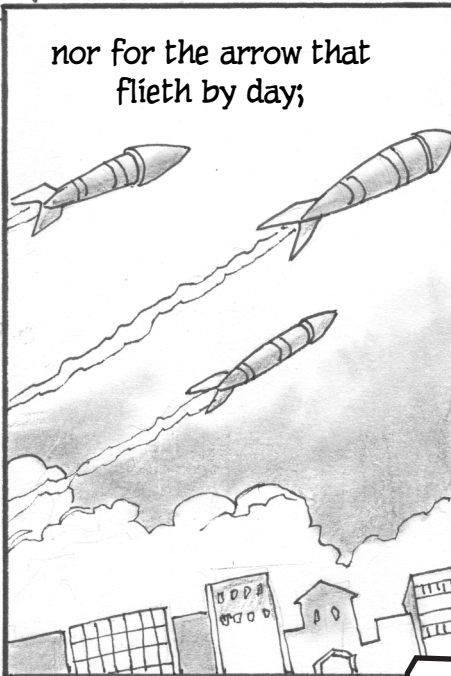
FAITH IN
GOD'S
PROMISES IS
OUR BEST
PROTECTION.

Verse 5-8:

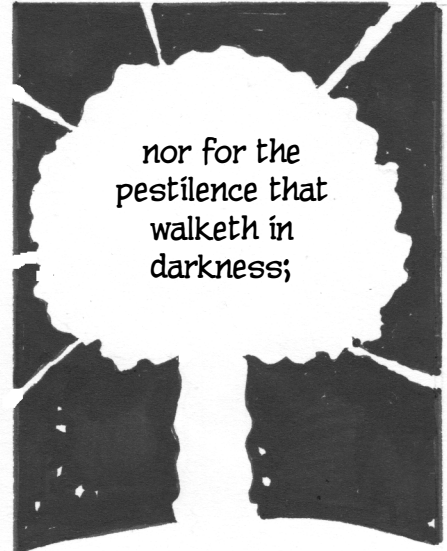
Thou shalt not be afraid
for the terror by night;



nor for the arrow that
flieth by day;

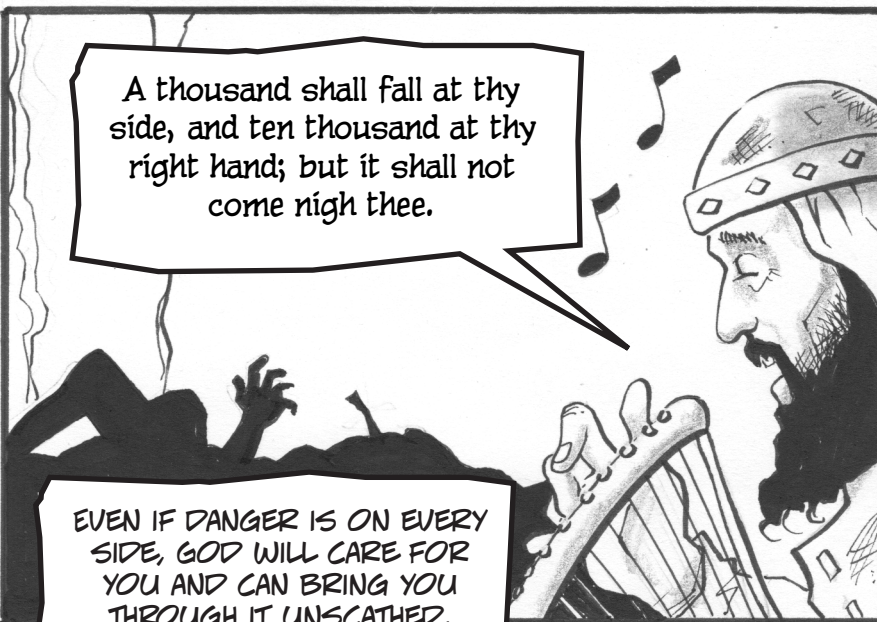


nor for the
pestilence that
walketh in
darkness;



nor for the destruction
that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy
side, and ten thousand at thy
right hand; but it shall not
come nigh thee.



EVEN IF DANGER IS ON EVERY
SIDE, GOD WILL CARE FOR
YOU AND CAN BRING YOU
THROUGH IT UNSCATHED.

Only with thine eyes shalt thou
behold and see the reward of
the wicked.

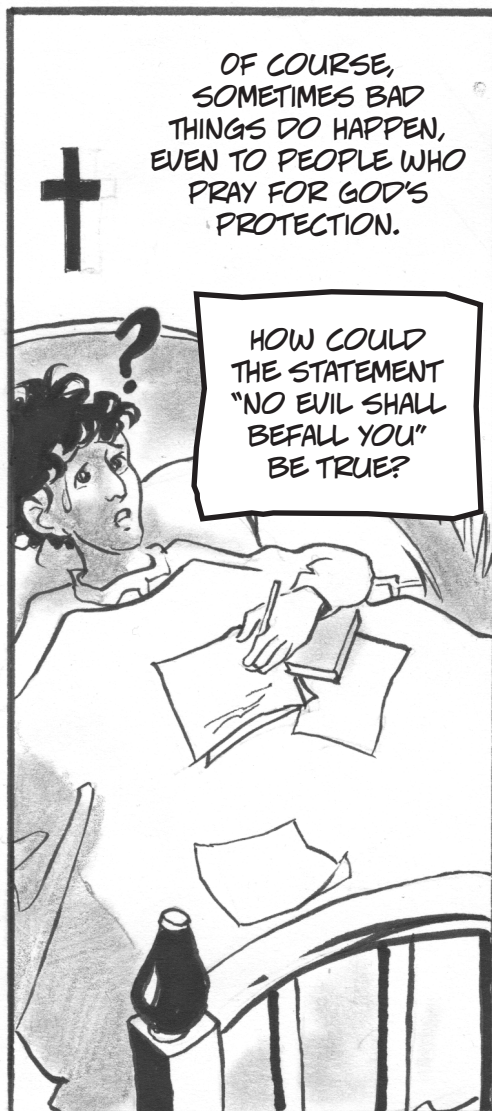


MAMA, COME
WATCH THIS!

Verse 9: Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation-



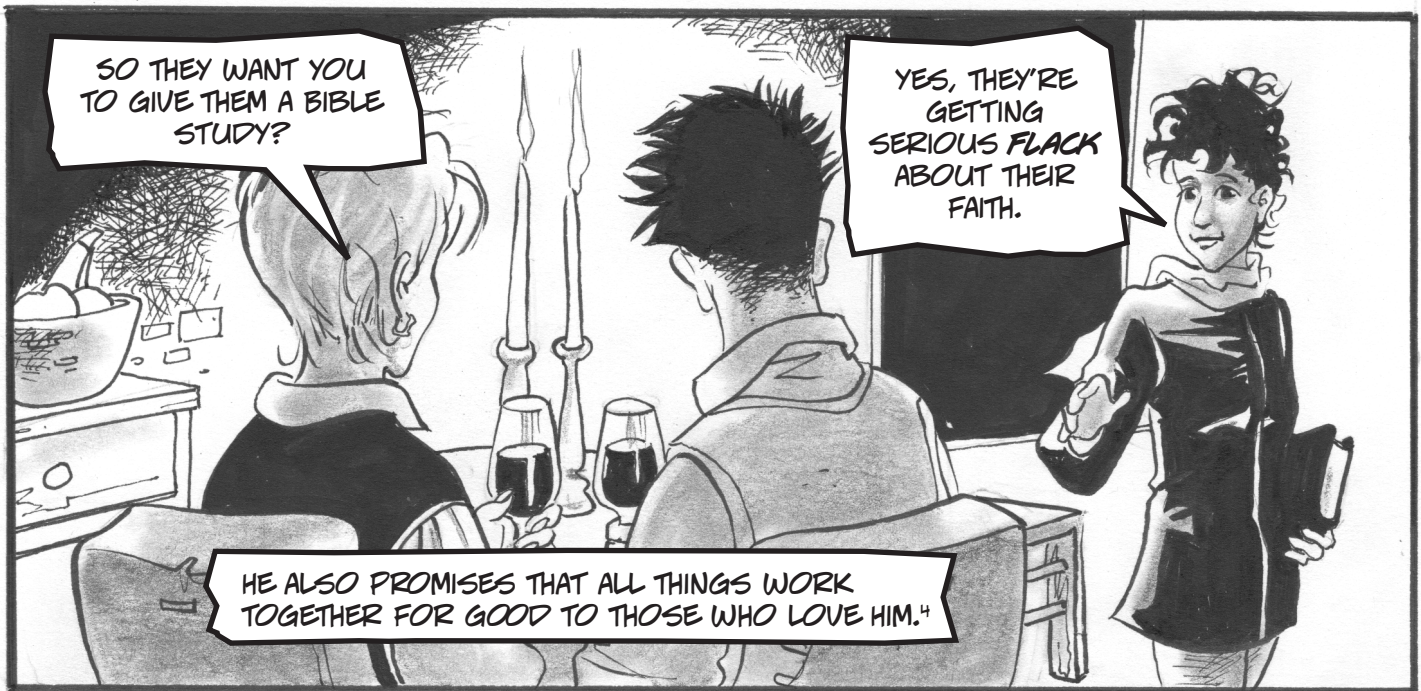
Verse 10: -there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.



WHEN GOD LETS SEEMINGLY BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO HIS CHILDREN, THEY OFTEN TEACH US SOMETHING OR STRENGTHEN AND BUILD OUR CHARACTER.



When our wise and loving heavenly Father allows this, He does so for our own good, and it "yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it."



Verse 11-13: For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.



GOD'S ANGELS WATCH OVER YOU CONTINUALLY, INCLUDING YOUR PERSONAL GUARDIAN ANGEL, WHOSE JOB IS *YOU*.⁵

Verse 14, God speaking: "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."

Verse 15-16: "He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him:
I will be with him in trouble;
I will deliver him, and honor him.
With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation."

THIS ALL
APPLIES TO ME
TOO.



There are six things God will do for us when we call on Him for help: 1) He will answer us, 2) He will be with us in trouble, 3) He will deliver us, 4) He will honor us, 5) He will give us a long, full life on this earth, and 6) He will show us His salvation.

1. John 17:17

2. Ephesians 6:16

3. Hebrews 12:11

4. See Romans 8:28.

5. See Matthew 18:10.

6. Romans 16:20

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