

*The Psalms:*  
SONGS TO KEEP YOUR LIFE IN TUNE

# DWELLING IN THE SHELTER OF THE MOST HIGH

PSALM 91:1-16

MESSAGE GUIDE  
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Today's Message (9 August 2020) / *Psalm 91*

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The historical context and author of this Psalm is not given to us, but the language of the psalm pictures a leader encouraging those who are facing the manifold dangers of life in Israel, perhaps during the time of Moses, Joshua or David.

PSALM 91 is timely to study especially during this time of crisis. It is one of the most comforting and encouraging psalms in the Psalter. It encourages us with three precious truths that describes what it means to be dwelling in the shelter of the Most High. First, He who trusts God is secure. Second, He who is secure in God, God is able to protect. Third, He who loves God is saved.

## HE WHO TRUSTS IN GOD IS SECURE.

1. **He lives in the presence of God** (VV. 1,9). We who believe in Him live in the presence of a God who is able to assure us of safety and security (ACTS 17:28A).

So he who is to be secure in God, lives in the presence of God.

2. **He trusts in the presence of God** (VV. 2,9). To trust in Him and put our faith in Him, is to live in Him; to dwell in Him; and to rest in Him (MATTHEW 11:28).

So he who trusts in God is secure—he lives in God, and trusts in God.

## HE WHO IS SECURE IN GOD, GOD IS ABLE TO PROTECT.

1. **From the dangers of the "battle"** (VV. 3-8). Our God is able to protect us from all of the dangers of the "battle" of life that we wage against the enemies of our souls and the system of this world that is opposed to God and His chosen people.

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So he who is secure in God is protected from the dangers of life's battles, and also...

2. **From the dangers of the "journey"** (VV. 10-13). So he who is secure in God, God is able to protect—from dangers in the battle of life, and from the dangers in the journey of life. But this does not mean He always does.
- Sometimes He allows trials to build us up (JAMES 1:2-4).
  - Sometimes He allows suffering to refine us (1 PETER 1:6-7).
  - Sometimes He allows pain to chasten us (HEBREWS 12:11).
  - But all of the things He allows are always good (ROMANS 8:28-29).

So he who trusts in God is secure, and he who is secure in God, God is able to protect. Finally...

## HE WHO LOVES GOD IS SAVED.

The beauty of this great psalm is that the application of its truths to our lives today is already provided for us in its last few verses.

1. **His steadfast love displayed** (VV. 14,15). So love God above all. Know Him through His word. And pray to Him at all times. This is how we dwell in the shelter of the Most High.
2. **His sure salvation assured** (VV. 14-16). The psalm ends with the great assurance of blessing that will belong to those who will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- Deliverance from the dangers of life
  - Protection from the perils of our way
  - Answers to our prayers
  - Companionship in our troubles
  - Rescue from our woes
  - Honor for our labors
  - A long satisfying life in this world
  - A sure salvation in the next

## CONCLUSION

So he who trusts in God is secure, and he who is secure in God, God is able to protect. Finally, he who loves God is saved, in this life and in the next ■



# Belonging

The Growth Group Journey

Our day and age has brought us to an existence where people are so preoccupied—there is just so much to engage in, be engrossed in, as well as varied pursuits. It is also our world where individualism is strongly emphasized intentionally or otherwise. Many are unaware that the sense of isolation and loneliness are growing. Adding to this is the impact of the pandemic, which has restricted physical social interactions. Many are struggling to cope in life, feeling somewhat alone in their journey and needing support and help. There is a great need to belong to a community; to journey with others.

In GCF, the **Growth Group** (GG) or **YGroup** (for the Youth) is a mini community where one can experience a sense of belonging and growing with others in life's journey. If you want to sign up for one, follow this link: [tinyurl.com/belongingfeedback](https://tinyurl.com/belongingfeedback).

Know more about 'Belonging: The Growth Group Journey' by joining us online every Wednesday of August, at 6:30 p.m. Hear testimonials, reflection from the Bible, conversations among GG/YGroup members live via Zoom, GCF Facebook Page and YouTube channel:

- August 5 Growing together in learning and living out **God's Word**
- August 12 Growing together in our **Relationship** with God and with one another
- August 19 Growing together in our **Outreach** in the name of Christ
- August 26 Growing together in our life of **Worship** to God

We hope you can join us in these live events. For further inquiries contact Marj Jo at **0917 779 1549**, or Janette Villanueva at **0917 532 7672**.

# THE CHURCH ONLINE

## GROWING TOGETHER IN R-RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND WITH OTHER PEOPLE

August 12 (Wed), 6:30 p.m., on GCF Facebook Page

## REMINDERS OF GOD'S CARE AND FAITHFULNESS

Mondays and Fridays, 7:00 p.m., GCF Facebook Page

## LIVestream (GCF Youth LIVE Worship)

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You may also designate your giving to our church's efforts to help frontliners and the vulnerable. Just indicate "For COVID-19 fund" when you email your transaction document ■



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