

Psalm 91 - Unpacked
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- A place of protection in God right in the middle of any storm, economic system, challenge
- Doesn't mean no storm; see v. 7-8 & 15
- Matthew 7:24-27 – [Mat 7:24-27 NASB95] 24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 "And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and [yet] it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock. 26 "Everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 "The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and it fell and great was its fall."
- I John 5:18 - devil doesn't touch him. Remember Job; cant take his life [1Jo 5:18 NASB95] 18 We know that no one who is born of God sins; but He who was born of God keeps him, and the evil one does not touch him.
- We are going to learn the principles govern the bubble
- Foundation to looking at this chapter; why we give it the weight we do
- V. 1-2 our part; 3-13 our expectation; 14-16 God's commitment

What should I know about Psalm 91?

There are three things you should know about Psalm 91.

I. Our Part

- a. V. 1-2
- b. All the rest of the chapter hinges on these verses
- c. Wise and foolish builders - difference is in the doing - commands to be obeyed; promises to be believed
- d. James 4:8 draw near; [Jas 4:8 NASB95] 8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.
- e. Jeremiah 33:3 call to me; [Jer 33:3 NASB95] 3 'Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know.'
- f. Mark 10:51 what do want [Mar 10:51 NASB95] 51 And answering him, Jesus said, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And the blind man said to Him, "Rabboni, [I want] to regain my sight!"
- g. Staying close to Him and speaking rightly.

II. Our Expectation

- a. V. 3 - Surely - a word of expectation
- b. Faith is expectation - different level
- c. Matthew 8:13 & 9:29 - What you expect matters.
 - i. [Mat 8:13 NASB95] 13 And Jesus said to the centurion, "Go; it shall be done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed that [very] moment.
 - ii. [Mat 9:29 NASB95] 29 Then He touched their eyes, saying, "It shall be done to you according to your faith."
- d. Spurgeon said, by this we bring our own measure and set the standard of blessing which we would possess
- e. Isaiah 54:1-2 - Raise your expectation [Isa 54:1-2 NASB95] 1 "Shout for joy, O barren one, you who have borne no [child;] Break forth into joyful shouting and cry aloud, you who have not travailed; For the sons of the desolate one [will be] more numerous Than the sons of the married woman," says the LORD. 2 "Enlarge the place of your tent;

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Stretch out the curtains of your dwellings, spare not; Lengthen your cords And strengthen your pegs.

III. God's Commitment

- a. V. 14-16 - He responds Himself - 7 "I Wills" - in English not great assertion than I will
 - b. He gives weight - Interjects Himself in the
 - c. His promises are basis for our expectation
 - d. This is covenant talk; he has tied himself and his resources to us
 - e. God is committed to you living in the bubble
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- **Do our part**
 - **Raise our level of expectation**
 - **Know He has committed Himself**