

Psalm 91 (NRSV)

¹You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

²will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust.'

³For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler
and from the deadly pestilence;

⁴he will cover you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

⁵You will not fear the terror of the night,
or the arrow that flies by day,

⁶or the pestilence that stalks in darkness,
or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

⁷A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.

⁸You will only look with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.

⁹Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling-place,

¹⁰no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.

¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

¹²On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

¹³You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

¹⁴Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.

¹⁵When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honour them.

¹⁶With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.