

***“He who dwells in the secret
place of the Most High
shall abide under the shadow
of the Almighty.” Psalm 91:1***

Where does the power under the shadow of the Almighty reside?

Jeremiah 32:17: “Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You.”

Psalms 27:1: “The LORD *is* my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD *is* the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”

Isaiah 40:29: “He gives power to the weak, and to *those who have* no might He increases strength.”

As such Jesus pointed the way to God, saying:

John 14:6: “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

Then Jesus added:

Mark 12:30: “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.”

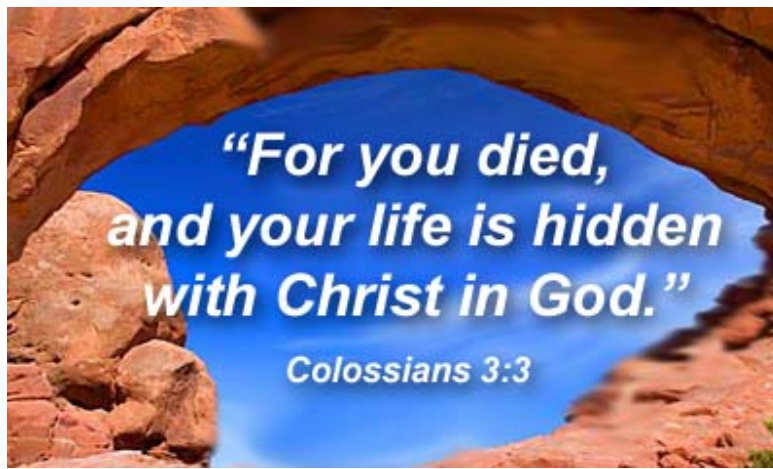
Therefore:

Exodus 15:2: “The LORD *is* my strength and song, and He has become my salvation; He *is* my God, and I will praise Him; my father’s God, and I will exalt Him.”

Psalms 27:14: “Wait on the LORD; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart.”

Do I grasp how powerful the Lord is to guide, inspire and protect me from the world’s evil, as I walk under His shadow?

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Why must we live each day in following Christ and abiding in Him?

Psalm 18:2: "The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold."

Isaiah 26:3: "You will keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.*"

Psalm 23:4: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For *You are with me.*"

The reason why Jesus declared:

John 8:31-32: "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

John 15:2: "Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit."

John 15:4: "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me."

Therefore:

2John 9: "Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son."

1John 2:6: "He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked."

Do I understand why I must abide in Christ, so Christ abides in me?

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“Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6

What should my heart disposition be so I focus on and trust God in all circumstances of life?

Proverbs 2:1-5: “My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding— indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God.”

Philippians 4:6-7: “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”

The reason Jesus said:

Matthew 11:28-30: “Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light.”

Therefore:

Proverbs 16:3: “Commit your works to the LORD, and your thoughts will be established.”

Psalms 105:4: “Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His face evermore!”

Do I trust God, and do I follow Christ as Lord of my life?

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Why must we always be vigilant to follow Christ, so we aren't deceived by the world?

Galatians 6:7-9: "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart."

Romans 8:6: "For to be carnally minded *is* death, but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace."

What's more?

1Timothy 4:1-2: "Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron."

Psalms 14:2: "The LORD looks down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek God."

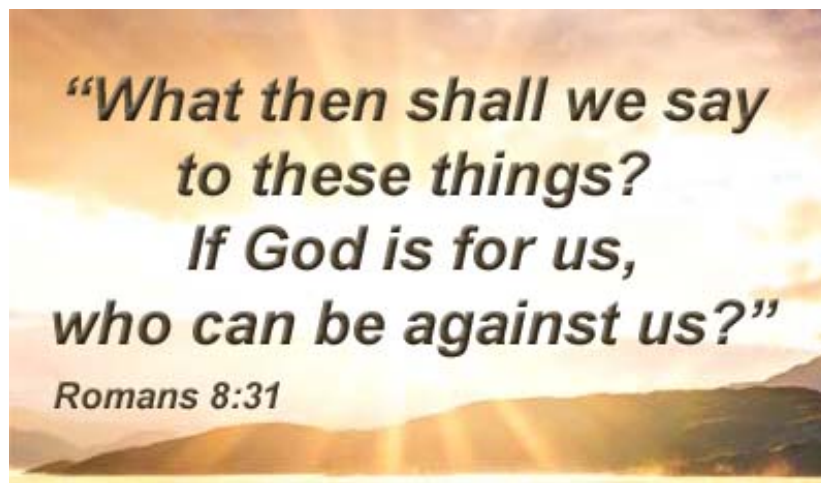
Therefore, as Christ warned us:

Mark 8:38: "Whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

Luke 12:40: "You also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

Am I ready for the return of the Lord?

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What is to be expected from following Christ, in other words, living under the shadow of the Almighty?

Psalm 91:9-11: "If you make the LORD your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter, no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home. For He will order His angels to protect you wherever you go."

Therefore:

Psalm 1:1-3: "Blessed *is* the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper."

Isaiah 26:3: You will keep *him* in perfect peace, whose mind *is* stayed *on You*, because he trusts in You."

And as such Jesus added:

Luke 12:37: "Blessed *are* those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down *to eat*, and will come and serve them."

John 14:3: "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also."

Do I follow Christ so I live under the shadow of the Almighty?

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