

He Shall Not Be Afraid Of Evil Tidings Psalms 112 Verse 7

Ps 112:1 ¶ "Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments."

This verse reminds us of the scripture in: **Ps 111:10 "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth forever."** Certainly, we can see that it is a good thing to fear the Lord, because of his benefits to us. However, what is the blessing of fearing the Lord? It is the very fact that you fear the Lord that is an indication that you have been born again and are a part of the family of God.

But remember that even the devils fear and tremble before God. How then is the fear of the Lord a comfort to God's people, and how do we know that we are his people? You know this if you delight to do the commandments of God. If all you see in the commandments of God are a bunch of "**thou shalt not**s" which are hindering you doing the things your heart desires, you have not been born again. How can you say this? Because this scripture says: If you are born again and if you fear the Lord, you will "**delight**" to do the "**thou shalt**s" of the bible.

This is why God tells us in: **Mt 11:30 "For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."** If you are born again and are walking in public profession of your faith in Jesus Christ: you have taken the yoke of Christ upon your life; you will delight to do the "**thou shalt**s" of the bible; and you will rejoice in living the life of a Christian as defined by scripture. In this condition and position in Christian life, you will understand that you are blessed.

Did ever anyone delight to do the Father's will more than our Saviour and Lord, Jesus Christ? who has made it possible for us to delight to do the Father's will, Hallelujah!

2 "His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed."

We easily see the prophetic picture of the coming of Jesus Christ as the Messiah, the Lord, and Saviour of God's people. There are no people on earth stronger than those who are born again and trusting fully in the Lord. After all, our strength is in the power of Christ in us, and Christ is strength itself as defined in scripture in: **Re 12:10 "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night."**

"the generation of the upright shall be blessed." We, the church of salvation by grace, are surely the generation of those who are made upright by the finished work of Christ, and we are indeed blessed.

The Christian, who has been given the gift of children, and has brought them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, is raising a generation of blessed children. The Christian, who is raised with a generation of the blessed in the Lord, is truly blessed.

3 "Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth forever."

Wealth and riches are not wealth and riches of this earthly world. Though the Christian may be blessed in natural blessing on earth, the wealth, and riches of the kingdom of God are found in the gift of eternal forgiveness of sin, and the gift of eternal life in Christ. They are found in the promises of the Word of God. They are found in the fellowship and love of God's people as they commune with each other and the Lord.

We have no righteousness of our own, in the flesh, to present to the world or God. All our righteousness is of Christ, as seen in scripture in: **1Co 1:30 "But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: 31 That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."**

"and his righteousness endureth forever." The house of the Lord is filled with righteousness forever, because Christ is eternal, seen in: **Ro 5:21 "That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord."** This righteousness of Christ will be manifested fully in the eternal resurrection of the dead in Christ.

4 "Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous."

The child of God, in the new birth, is brought from the darkness into the marvelous light of the Lord Jesus Christ. We have light because of Christ in us, for Christ is light. We are upright, gracious, full of compassion, and righteous, because we have inherited these attributes of our heavenly Father in the new birth.

5 "A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion."

The word lendeth means to *unite or abide with*. Wherefore, we see the picture, a good man, Jesus Christ, who in his loving kindness has taken up residence with us. He is guiding us to walk in the paths of righteousness by the Holy Spirit leading, and by the Word of truth he has left for us to follow.

6 ¶ "Surely he shall not be moved forever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance."

Jesus, the Son of God, is steadfast and as God he changes not. He has a permanent abode where he dwells in the eternal heaven, and each child of God is engraved in his hands. They are always in his heart and mind, and the everlasting remembrance will be manifested in the eternal resurrection of the dead in Christ.

7 "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD."

We know that Jesus was, and is, not afraid of evil tidings, because he knew that he was going to be persecuted on earth. He knew they were going to have mock trials filled with lies, and that the result of those things would be mortal death crucifixion. He knew that he would be tortured as no man had ever been. He knew that he would be made sin for all of God's people. He knew all these things, and yet he still came in a body of flesh to procure the eternal remission of sins for all of God's chosen people.

He knew that he would die a mortal death and be buried in a tomb, but his heart was fixed on accomplishing the Father's will, and he trusted fully in the power that God the Father gave him to lay down his life and take it up again. He trusted fully in the resurrection from the dead, and in so doing he was to first to be resurrected in body and ascend to the eternal heaven.

Jesus knew that God heard him always, and he had complete confidence in the Power of God the Father. The question for us is: after being born again, do we have full confidence in Jesus Christ and his finished work? Because if we do, then we will not be afraid of evil tidings, for we have the promise of the resurrection of our bodies, and eternal life with Christ, in the place he has gone to prepare for us.

8 "His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies."

Jesus has returned to the eternal heaven and is seated on the throne of God in his eternal position. He is not afraid of the outcome of all things that God the Father has purposed. He shall see his desire upon his enemies in the eternal resurrection. God's people will be gathered and carried to the prepared place for them. All others, who are enemies of Christ, will be judged from the books which have the record of all their evil deeds, and they shall be cast into the eternal lake of fire. Sin, sinfulness, and sinners will be forever removed from his sight.

9 "He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour."

Jesus has dispersed to every child of grace eternal life in Christ. He has given to each one the eternal forgiveness of sins. He has bestowed upon each one his righteousness, which endures forever. In the eternal resurrection he will be exalted to the highest degree, as God's chosen people are gathered to him. Then shall he receive the honor due to his holy name.

10 "The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish."

In the eternal resurrection of the dead, the wicked shall see the salvation of the people of God through Jesus Christ, and they shall be grieved and gnash with their teeth. They shall see suddenly the truth, and as they melt away, meaning they are removed from the sight of God's people, they shall bear the eternal condemnation of eternal death in the eternal lake of fire. Their wicked desires shall perish as they are tormented in the flames, for their suffering will not leave room for them to desire to do wickedness and ungodliness any longer.

Wherefore, we go back to **Ps 112:7 "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD."** We understand, that through the finished work of Christ Jesus, our Saviour and Lord, we have no reason to fear the evil tidings of the awful doom of the wicked. We have reason to trust fully in the truth of scripture and live as directed in: **Mt 10:28 "And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."** Understand, no matter what Satan and men may say: God is on his throne, and he is ruling and reigning in heaven and upon earth. There is none that can stay the hand of God, nor keep his will and purpose from coming to pass.

We have every reason to give thanks and praise to Christ, for our adoption into the family of God, We have every reason to trust fully in the finished work of Jesus. We have every reason to believe fully in the Word of God, the King James bible. We have every reason to praise and adore the Holy One of God, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!