

FAITH IN FEAR

In fearful times...don't forget who God is

The LORD is my **light** and my **salvation**—whom should I fear? The LORD is the **stronghold** of my life—whom should I dread? Psalm 27:1

Whom shall I fear?

When **evildoers** came against me to devour my flesh, my **foes** and my **enemies** stumbled and fell. Though an **army** deploys against me, my heart will not be afraid; though a **war breaks out** against me, I will still be confident. Psalm 27:2-3

One thing: experience who God is

I have asked **one thing** from the LORD; it is what I desire... Psalm 27:4

God is my light...driving out fear

- Experience His presence, His voice and enjoy His love
...to dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life... Psalm 27:4

"My sheep hear my voice, I know them, and they follow me." John 10:27

He lets me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside quiet waters. He renews my life; he leads me along the right paths for his name's sake. Psalm 23:2-3

- See God's beauty...character
...gazing on the beauty of the LORD and seeking him in his temple. Psalm 27:4

My stronghold: safe place...hides me

For he will **conceal me** in his shelter in the day of adversity; he will **hide me** under the cover of his tent... Psalm 27:5

- Protection and provision
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and the rivers will not overwhelm you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, and the flame will not burn you...Because you are precious in my sight and honored, and I love you... Isaiah 43:2,4

And my God will supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

My stronghold: safe place...hides me (cont.)

- Rest
"Come to me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take up my yoke and learn from me, because I am lowly and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:28-29

My salvation: delivers, rescues

...he will set me high on a rock. Psalm 27:5

- Exalts me
Then my head will be high above my enemies around me... Psalm 27:6

*Do not be conformed to this age, but be **transformed** by the renewing of your mind...* Romans 12:2
- Faithful to me
...I will offer sacrifices in his tent with shouts of joy. I will sing and make music to the LORD. Psalm 27:6

Our prayer

I want You to know

*LORD, hear my voice when I call; be gracious to me and answer me. My heart says this about you: "**Seek his face.**" LORD, I will seek your face.* Psalm 27:7-8

I want Your way

*Because of my adversaries, **show me your way,** LORD, and lead me on a level path.* Psalm 27:11

Our lifestyle = believe and wait

*Yet I am confident I will see the LORD's goodness while I am here in the land of the living. Wait patiently for the LORD. Be brave and courageous. **Yes, wait patiently** for the LORD.* Psalm 27:13-14 (NLT)

Scripture from the CSB unless noted.