

*"...the LORD will bless his people with peace."  
Psalm 29:11*



The chaos of the world that surrounds us is worsening every day. The headlines are full of this threat and another. Each day brings news of some new act of violence perpetrated against innocents or some disaster happening in some part of the globe. Is it any wonder considering that Satan is the Prince and power of the air? Men who do not know Christ are the minions of this malicious demon. They have nothing to combat the evil influences that surround them. Depression, despair, greed, avarice, and lust will overpower and consume them unless they cry to the Saviour for salvation. Believers are given the blessed gift of peace. They can stand calm though *"ten thousand fall"* beside them. They can rest secure in the knowledge that the right hand of Jehovah upholds them, and the mighty angels guard them. God sent angels with flaming swords to protect the prophet when the king sent an army to kill him. There are many stories of God's protection in the lives of believers all over the world. Impossible situations are miraculously resolved when men kneel and pray. The KING still sits on the throne! We are told to come boldly to ask for help *"in time of need."* His eye never sleeps or slumbers. His power is omnipotent. He knows the end from the beginning. His name is *"Jehovahjireh,"* because He is able to provide abundantly *"above all that we could ask or think."* His plan is perfect and still on track. The chaos of men does not threaten the sovereignty of God's will. His Word will do that which He sent it to perform. It may seem that evil men are in control, but they fail to realize that all power comes from God. Even Satan's power is God-given, and what God gives He can take away. Kings rise and fall at His will. The mightiest kings of the earth who have thought to challenge the Almighty are now lifting up their eyes in the place of torment prepared for the devil and his angels. God will not give His glory to another. Men pridefully lift themselves up at their own peril, not comprehending that *"the Lord giveth, and the Lord taketh away."* We have the *witness* of the Holy Spirit within assuring us that we are the sons of God, and if sons, then *"heirs according to the promise."* We can rest peacefully during the night, because we have been promised the gift of *"peace that passeth all understanding"* by our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

*"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27*