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## Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 58

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by providing **His protection** to you. **1 Cor. 13:7**, ***"It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."***

The Greek word for **protect** is *stegēi* which means to bear you up through difficulties, trials, and temptations. And that's exactly what God's love can do for you. It is the love of God that is there for you when you face the struggles of this life. He is the rock on which you can lean and the strength to make it through. The further connotation is that He not only lifts you up, but you are protected from those things or people that are trying to attack you. You are out of harm's way so to speak. Your Heavenly father wants to protect you.

One of the strongest desires of an earthly father is to watch over and protect his children. You, as a father, would do anything to keep them safe. When there is a possibility of them to be hurt, you step in and rescue them. Why does this happen? It is because you love them. That is in a very small way a picture of the love of God. Paul says that God's kind of love *always* protects. Scripture is replete with words of encouragement about His protection: **2 Thess. 3:3**, ***"But the LORD is faithful, and He will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one."*** **1 Cor. 10:13**, ***"No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will provide a way out so that you can endure it."***

Dear ones, you can rest assured that your Father is watching over you right now to protect you. He loves you so much. He wants you to experience that love by trusting in the One Who can always watch over you and bear you up in times of trouble. His name is Jehovah Jireh, the God Who will provide.

**Dear Father, thank You for always watching over us to protect us. You love us so much that you will always be protecting us and lifting us up. We are blessed beyond measure. In Jesus Name, Amen**