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Protecting Love

Psalm 97:10 Let those who love the Lord hate evil, for He guards the lives of His faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

One of God's wonderful characteristics is His protection over His children. Many of us can think of examples of the way love has protected us during times of trouble. Whether it was a loving parent, spouse, or friend, love's protection is based on the character of love itself. As a parent, I recall multiple times when my love for my children caused me to protect them in times of struggle or heartache. There was not anything that would stop my love for them.

Jesus reminded those who were listening in Matt. 7:9-11 "Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him!"

God's love is perfect love that protects us, covers us, guards us and motivates us. He will always be watching over His children. Take a moment to read through Psalm 91 and meditate on what God has done and will do for you. Psalm 91 Whoever goes to the Lord for safety, whoever remains under the protection of the Almighty, can say to Him, "You are my defender and protector. You are my God; in you I trust." He will keep you safe from all hidden dangers and from all deadly diseases. He will cover you with His wings; you will be safe in His care; His faithfulness will protect and defend you. You need not fear any dangers at night or sudden attacks during the day or the plagues that strike in the dark or the evils that kill in daylight. A thousand may fall dead beside you, ten thousand all around you, but you will not be harmed. You will look and see how the wicked are punished. You have made the Lord your defender, the Most High your protector, and so no disaster will strike you, no violence will come near your home. God will put his angels in charge of you to protect you wherever you go. They will hold you up with their hands to keep you from hurting your feet on the stones. You will trample down lions and snakes, fierce lions and poisonous snakes. God says, "I will save those who love me and will protect those who acknowledge me as Lord. When they call to me, I will answer them; when they are in trouble, I will be with them. I will rescue them and honor them. I will reward them with long life; I will save them."

Dear Father, thank You for Your protection over me and my family. Thank you for always watching over me and covering me with Your wings. I can rest in Your protection as my loving Heavenly Father. In Jesus Name, Amen.