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Be with me Lord

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v. BE WITH ME, LORD, AND THEN IF DANGERS THREATEN, IF STORMS OF TRIAL
 BURST ABOVE MY HEAD:

a. Many are the examples of godly men and women, who trusted in the power of His might as
 they were faced with temptations.

b. They were men and women of faith who overcame and were victorious

Hebrews 11:1-40

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Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

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For by it the elders obtained a good report.

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Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are
 seen were not made of things which do appear.

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By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that
 he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

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By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had
 translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

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But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and
 that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

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By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the
 saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which
 is by faith.

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By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

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By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

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For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

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Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.

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Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.

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These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

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For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.

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And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

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But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

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By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

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Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: [Gen 21:12](#) [Rom 9:7](#) [Gal 3:16](#)

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Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

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By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

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By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.

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By faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.

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By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.

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By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

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Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

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Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

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By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

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Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

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By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.

30

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.

31

By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.

32

And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets:

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Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths
of lions.

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Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong,
waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

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Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance;
that they might obtain a better resurrection:

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And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:

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They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered
about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented;

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(Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and
caves of the earth.

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And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:

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God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

vi. IF LASHING SEAS LEAP EVERYWHERE ABOUT ME, THEY CANNOT HARM, OR
MAKE MY HEART AFRAID:

a. One of the most amazing accounts in the New Testament of Jesus' protection is recounted
in

Matthew 14:32,

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And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased.

Mark 6:51,

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And he went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves
beyond measure, and wondered.

and Mark 4:35-41

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And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.

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And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships.

37

And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

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And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?

39

And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

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And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?

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And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

Here we see His powerful protection and love for the ones who served Him

vii. BE WITH ME, LORD! NO OTHER GIFT OR BLESSING THOU COULDST BESTOW
COULD WITH THIS ONE COMPARE—A CONSTANT SENSE OF THY ABIDING
PRESENCE, WHERE E'ER I AM, TO FEEL THAT THOU ART NEAR:

a. Moses knew he could never lead the nation of Israel without the presence of the Lord

Exodus 33:12-15

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And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13

Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, show me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.

14

And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.

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And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.

- b. Jehoshaphat knew that the Lord's presence was in the temple and that He would hear their cry when troubles came

II Chronicles 20:6-9

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And said, O LORD God of our fathers, art not thou God in heaven? and rulest not thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee?

7

Art not thou our God, who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for ever?

8

And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying,

9

If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house,) and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.

- c. David knew where to find fullness of joy and true pleasures

Psalm 16:11

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Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. [Acts 2:28](#)

- d. David's sincere prayer was for God's judgment, and sentence to come from His presence

Psalm 17:1-3

1

Hear the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

2

Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.

3

Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited me in the night; thou hast tried me, and shalt find

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nothing; I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress.

- e. David knew that he had to have a clean heart and a right spirit in order to remain in God's presence

Psalm 51:10-12

10

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

11

Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.

12

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

- f. David asks who will dwell with God and who will be in His presence?

Psalm 140:13

13

Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence.

g. Luke 13:24-27

24

Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

25

When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:

26

Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27

But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.

viii. BE WITH ME LORD, WHEN LONELINESS O'ER-TAKES ME, WHEN I MUST WEEP AMID THE FIRES OF PAIN, AND WHEN SHALL COME THE HOUR OF "MY DEPARTURE" FOR "WORLDS UNKNOWN," O LORD, BE WITH ME THEN:

- a. Now would come the questions of what kind of building will we have made and what

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kind of fruits will we have borne

I Corinthians 3:10-15

10

According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

11

For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

12

Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13

Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

14

If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

15

If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

Revelation 3:18

18

I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

b. Like Paul, we want to be able to say

II Timothy 4:6-8

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For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

7

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

8

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.