

A Series of devotions on Psalm 33

GOD'S EYE IS ON YOU

Psalm 33:18-19 “Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.”

Two people can hear the same message and have totally different thoughts. Tell the title of today's devotion to ten different people and check their reaction. If in the group of ten there are several who have recently committed a sin that still troubles them, they will hear these words with no comfort at all. Having God's eye on them, they know means He is aware of the sin they have committed and will punish them. If on the other hand, one in the group trusts in God's protection, is about to leave on a trip, has prayed fervently for His protection during their travel, the words of Psalm 33:18 will be of great comfort.

To understand how having God's eye on you is a good thing, there are two key phrases to understand and take to heart. They are “those who fear Him” and “who hope in His steadfast love.” These phrases describe a person who has faith and trust in God's steadfast love and are confident He has adopted them as His own dear child.

The believer in God and His promises knows that God sees all people and all they do. He is the one who has formed their heart by the power of the Gospel to be believers in His Son and through Him to trust in Him, their heavenly Father. The believer knows God is present in their life to provide all they need for the here and now and even into eternity.

What does it mean that God's eye is on you? Even when ill, suffering pain, experiencing financial difficulties, forsaken by family and friends you can be sure He knows what is happening and is still in control. When His eye is on you, in spite of what your life is like, what is happening at the moment, God is faithful in keeping His promise to be with you always. God's eye is on You and He promises to deliver you from evil, trials, disasters and the like. With God's eye on you “nothing can separate you from His love which is yours in Christ Jesus your Lord and Savior.” (Romans 8:28-39)

Prayer: What great comfort You give me, O Lord, knowing Your eye is on me 24/7. There is nothing more I need to know because You have filled me with Your steadfast love. Please, dear Father, keep Your eye on me for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'ful hand.
Bread of heaven, break of heaven, Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv 'rer, strong deliv 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.
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