

Message Notes

GOD'S ANTIDOTE TO FEARING THE FUTURE

*"Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."*

Psalm 23:6 (KJV)

I CAN FACE THE FUTURE CONFIDENTLY...

Three reasons why you don't need to fear the future:

1. Because God is _____ over you.
2. Because God's grace is _____ in you.
3. Because heaven is _____ for you.

I. BECAUSE GOD IS _____ ME!

"Surely goodness ... will follow me all the days of my life ..."

"The Lord watches over all who love him ..." Psalms 145:20 (NIV)

"We know that all that happens to us is working for our good! IF we love God and are fitting into His plans." Romans 8:28 (LB)

"(God) orders his angels to protect you wherever you go."
Psalms 91:11 (LB)

The book *Angels Among Us* is a book with passages from the Bible on what God says about angels. It's written by Ron Rhoades, if you would like some good biblical information about Angels.

1st - Human beings do not become angels at _____.

2nd - Angels are _____ beings.

3rd - We don't just have _____ angel watching over us we have many angels watching over us. *"God commands His angels..."* plural. Psalms 91:11

What are some of the ways angels protect us today? How do angels guard us?

1st - Angels guard us against _____ and _____. We see this illustrated in Daniel 6. Daniel was in the lions' den and the lions were very hungry. But God sent His angels and they kept those lions away from Daniel.

2nd - Angels guard us by _____ evil. We see this illustrated in 2 Kings 6. We find Elijah and his servant surrounded by a hostile army that is getting ready to move in on them. Elijah is not worried a bit. He knows that God's angels are there but the servant is petrified. Elijah prays to God, *"Lord, open his eyes that he can see."* At that moment this servant saw angels surround them, hundreds of them. No longer was he worried. He came to understand the truth of Ps. 91 *"God commands His angels to guard over you in all your ways."*

3rd - Angels guard us in the midst of dangerous circumstances. This is illustrated in Acts 27, where Paul is on a ship with a bunch of other men. This ship encounters a tremendous hurricane. From all outward appearances it looks as if the ship is going to sink and everybody is going to die. An angel appears to Paul and says, "Don't worry. You're not going to die and nobody on this ship is going to die. You're going to be safe." Angels can protect us in dangerous circumstances.

Finally, angels guard us against despair, discouragement.