



# THE COVERING

Week 44 | April 1, 2025

*"The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety."*

**Psalm 18:2**

Throughout scripture and the history that follows we have seen the **hand of God** actively *at work* in the life of humanity. Some call it **providence, favor, or luck**, but oftentimes in the Bible it was simply recognized as "*The Covering*" of God. A covering represents the various blessings that come as one places themselves **under the authority** of another, for it carries with it the *force* and *might* of He who bestows it. In this **world at war** we find ourselves in, we *need this Covering* today now more than ever, for with it comes God's:

## 1. POWER ([Psalm 91:13](#))

- a. **NOTE:** The power of God is **freely available** to the *people of God* as they work towards His will and fulfill His purposes. This same **power** which created the *heavens and the earth* cannot possibly be stopped by any force of its creation. The Enemy **knows this**, and it *terrifies him*. Therefore he spends an inordinate amount of time attempting to convince God's children that they are in fact **weak, powerless, or unworthy** of the *rightful inheritance* that is theirs as co-heirs with Christ.

([Isaiah 41:10](#); [Joshua 23:10](#); [Romans 8:17](#))

- i. **For Ex.** "Father God, thank You for **adopting me** into Your family, for *naming me* as an heir to Your **glory** and **suffering**. Thank You for *granting me access* to the power and authority of **heaven's throne** as I act in accordance with *Your will*. Cover myself and **fellow believers** with *this power* today, destroying all lies and schemes of the Evil One that attempt to keep us **living in defeat**, and revealing Your *might, glory, and majesty* to the lost in our lives."

1. **REMEMBER:** We are called to **advance the Kingdom**, not merely *hold our ground*. ([Proverbs 28:1](#))

## 2. PROTECTION ([Isaiah 54:17](#))

- a. **NOTE:** Like **an umbrella** on a *rainy day*, the covering of God may not always change our circumstance but it **shifts** how we *experience it*. God's protection is readily available as we remain **in alignment** with Him, *positioning ourselves* properly under His authority and **rule**. Obviously, Satan *hates this fact*. That's why he is constantly trying to tempt us out of the **shelter of our Savior** and into the midst of the *storms raging* all around through various traps of **distraction, deception, or division**. ([Psalm 5:11](#); [Psalm 91](#))

- i. **For Ex.** “Lord God, thank You for **the protection** that comes as we *remain in alignment with You*. Thank You for **shielding us** from the full brunt and force of the storms that *constantly rage* all around. Please, Lord, make a clear distinction between those who are **under Your shelter** and *those who are not*, that those far from You might seek Your face and submit to Your will. Guard us also against the **ways of the Enemy**, that no *diversion, delusion, or discord* would pull us away from You.”
  1. **REMEMBER:** Rest comes easiest in the shade of **God’s covering**.  
([Psalm 4:8](#))

### 3. PROVISION ([Psalm 34:8](#))

- a. **NOTE:** Just as the covering of God **protects us** from the *dangerous storms* of life, it also places us in position to receive His **showers of blessings**. God’s *hand of favor* at work in our midst is one of His many ways to **reveal Himself** to the *watching world* nearby. Unable to stand this reality, the devil and his forces seek to rob us of God’s **abundant provision** by *enticing us* with false promises of greener grass and lusher forests on the **other side** of God’s will. ([Psalm 5:12](#); [Psalm 23](#))
  - i. **For Ex.** “Dear God, **Jehovah-Jireh**, thank You for *providing our every need* in an abundant fashion. Thank You for **hearing** and **heeding** the *cries of our heart*, for sending the rains we crave in **due time and season** as we abide in You. Give us *the patience*, Lord, to wait for Your timing and not to **seek satisfaction** on *our own*. Reveal to us the falsehoods of the Enemy, exposing his **counterfeit harvest** for *the manure* it truly is.”
    1. **REMEMBER:** God’s **provision** is *an opportunity* for generosity.  
([Psalm 37:25-26](#))

### Questions for Reflection:

- Have you **grown satisfied** with merely *standing your ground*?
  - Just because you’re not falling doesn’t mean you’re **not failing**. We were never meant to be *lukewarm* or *stagnant*.
- Do you struggle **to rest** or find *peace* to be fleeting?
  - It could easily be that you have **wandered** out from beneath *God’s covering*.
- Has **God’s provision** in your life led to *generosity with others*?
  - God will not reward stingy stewardship, we must **give as freely** as we *have received*.