

Keep Your Wits

We live in a time of trouble and chaos. Wars and rumors of wars. We are living in an era of lawlessness and despair (*See Where We Are In Time*, post 09/27/2021). However, we cannot lose hope, and cave in to the agenda of the illegitimate stooges in Washington. Keep your wits. Do not fall into the devil's trap of hating the people. We must hate communist ideology, but at the same time pray for those in charge. God loves them just as much as He loves you and me. As bad as the world is – pray for them, they need God.

Isaiah 54:17 (NASB) "No weapon that is formed against you will prosper; And every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their vindication is from Me," declares the LORD.

This verse mentions *weapons* and then *words*. Words are weapons (Prov. 18:21), and we have to condemn the negative words that come against us. The English word "condemn" here was translated from the Hebrew word that means "to *declare wrong*." We have to demolish those negative words before they become a stronghold in our mind. Dwelling on words spoken against us can make room for fear, and cause anger to manifest.

I've learned that when negative words intended for me are cast down right away, they lose their power. But if I wait until later, because I don't want to offend, then it takes more time to get those words out of my mind. They start to fester instantly. So, I condemn negative words when I hear them. We have to do this. The Lord doesn't do this for us.

Quickly cast those words down from your mind. Don't think or ponder them. Replace the evil lies with thoughts of God's promises. Refuse to allow illegitimate rulers to open a door for fear to enter your heart. Despise the darkness, and *use your energy* to enter into the kingdom of God.

Psalm 91:1-2 (NASB) He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High Will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. [2] I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, My God, in whom I trust!"

Favor and protection are for those who DWELL there, not visit there. This is talking about ABIDING (*LIVING*) in Christ.

Notice that you have to say, "He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust." Our words release power (Prov. 18:20-21). The promises of God are voice activated.

Psalm 31:20 (NASB) You hide them in the secret place of Your presence from the conspiracies of man; You keep them secretly in a shelter from the strife of tongues.

If this is put together with Psalms 91:1, I believe we can say that the "secret place of the most High" is His presence. It's in God's presence that we are safe and blessed. God's presence is always with us, but we don't always realize it. It's only when we acknowledge what we have that it becomes effective (Philemon 6).

Father, in Jesus' name, I confess and believe that no weapon can come against me with any success, and any accusation that rises against me in judgment I shall condemn and show to be in the wrong. I believe I dwell in the secret place of the Most High. I say, "He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust." I shall remain stable and fixed under the shadow of Almighty God whose power no foe can withstand. I am safe and blessed in the secret place of God's presence, hidden from the strife of tongues.