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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

CONFIDENCE IN THE BATTLE
2 SAMUEL 15:1–37; PSALM 3



Psa. 3:0, “A Psalm of David when he fled from Absalom his son.” NKJV

בָּרַח (bārah) flee, run away, chase, drive away, put to flight, reach, shoot (extend), hurry away

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- 2. David expresses his confidence in God and resulting relaxed mental attitude in the midst of the battle. Psa. 3:3–5**
- 3. David's confidence is in God. Psa. 3:6–8.**

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B. His enemies ridicule and make fun of his faith in God as they attempt to destroy him. Psa. 3:2

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צָרָר *ṣārar* I, bind, be narrow, be in distress (Qal); make narrow, cause distress, besiege (Hiphil).

Isa. 1:24, “Therefore the Lord says, The LORD of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel, ‘Ah, I will rid Myself of My adversaries, and take vengeance on My enemies.’ ”

Isa. 59:18, “According to their deeds, accordingly He will repay, Fury to His adversaries, Recompense to His enemies; The coastlands He will fully repay.”

Isa. 64:2, “As fire burns brushwood, as fire causes water to boil—to make Your name known to Your adversaries, That the nations may tremble at Your presence!”

Psa. 27:1, “The LORD is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?”

Psa. 27:2, “When the wicked came against me to eat up my flesh, My enemies and foes, they stumbled and fell.”

Psa. 27:3, “Though an army may encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; Though war may rise against me, in this I will be confident.”

Psa. 27:11, “Teach me Your way, O Lord, and lead me in a smooth path, because of my enemies.

Psa. 27:12, “Do not deliver me to the will of my adversaries; For false witnesses have risen against me, and such as breathe out violence.

Psa. 27:13, “I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Psa. 27:14, “Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!”

1. Our adversary the devil.

1 Pet. 5:8, “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.”

ἀντίδικος *antidikos*, enemy, opponent, foe

2. The world system

John 16:33, “These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

Acts 14:22, “strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, ‘We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.’ ”

Rom. 5:3, “And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance;

Rom. 5:4, “and perseverance, character; and character, hope.”

Rom. 12:10, “Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;

Rom. 12:11, “not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

Rom. 12:12, “rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;”

2 Cor. 1:3, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

2 Cor. 1:4, “who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.”

3. Our own sin nature

1 Pet. 2:11, “Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,”

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**יְשׁוּעָה *yeshuah* comm fem sing abs salvation,
deliverance, rescue, military victory**

Psa. 62:1, “Truly my soul silently waits for God; From Him comes my salvation.

Psa. 62:2, “He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.”

Psa. 89:26, “He shall cry to Me, ‘You are my Father, My God, and the rock of my salvation.’ ”