

Topic for November 2010

Protection

Excerpts for consideration:

King James Version Bible

Psalms 91:1, 4, 5, 10, 11 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty...He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid...There shall no evil befall thee...For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

Science and Health by Mary Baker Eddy

581:4 ANGELS. God's thoughts passing to man; spiritual intuitions, pure and perfect; the inspiration of goodness, purity, and immortality, counteracting all evil, sensuality, and mortality.

436:11 Giving a cup of cold water in Christ's name, is a Christian service. Laying down his life for a good deed, Mortal Man should find it again. Such acts bear their own justification, and are under the **protection** of the Most High.

638:1 When I began with Science and Health, I read the chapter on "Prayer" first, and at that time did not suppose it possible for me to remember anything I read, but felt a sweet sense of God's **protection** and power, and a hope that I should at last find Him to be what I so much needed, — a present help in time of trouble. Before that chapter on "Prayer" was finished, my daughter was downstairs eating three meals a day, and daily growing stronger. Before I had finished reading the textbook she was well, but never having heard that the reading of Science and Health healed any one, it was several months before I gave God the glory...— E. J. B., Superior, Wis.

Miscellaneous Writings by Mary Baker Eddy

115:16 Your means of **protection** and defense from sin are, constant watchfulness and prayer that you enter not into temptation and are delivered from every claim of evil, till you intelligently know and demonstrate, in Science, that evil has neither prestige, power, nor existence, since God, good, is All-in-all.

263:5 These two words in Scripture suggest the sweetest similes to be found in any language — *rock* and *feathers*: "Upon this rock I will build my church;" "He shall cover thee with His feathers." How blessed it is to think of you as "beneath the shadow of a great rock in a weary land," safe in His strength, building on His foundation, and covered from the devourer by divine **protection** and affection. Always bear in mind that His presence, power, and peace meet all human needs and reflect all bliss.

Christian Science Hymnal

Hymn 216

From the German of Georg Neumark
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O he who trusts in God's **protection**
And hopes in Him when fears alarm,
Is sheltered by His lovingkindness,
Delivered by His mighty arm;
If ye God's law can understand,
Ye have not builded on the sand.

O wait on Him with veneration,
Be silent in humility;
He leads you after His own counsel,
His will is done and still shall be;
All good for you His wisdom planned;
O trust in God and understand.