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E-votional 28

## **The Glory of our Strength**

Psalm 89:15-17 (Berean Study Bible)

*Blessed are those who know the joyful sound, who walk, O LORD, in the light of Your presence. They rejoice in Your name all day long, and in Your righteousness they exult. For You are the glory of their strength, and by Your favor our horn is exalted.*

Praise the Lord! He alone is worthy of all blessing and honor and glory and power!

O the sweetness of the joy of those who find it in the Lord alone. The greatness of the humble who find all their satisfaction in none but Jesus. It is they who know the joyful sound, for they have made the Lord the pearl of great value just as He, the Lord, has made them His pearl of great value.

What does it mean to walk in the light of God's Presence?

Picture if you will on a semi-cool day sitting in front of the window where the sun is shining through and feeling the warmth of it and how it makes one feel cozy as they gaze out into the beauty of God's creation. At that moment of stillness, we feel the cares of life drift into nothingness for just one serene moment until that moment passes and we go along our merry way.

Now, this illustration is just a picture of a temporal moment that when the moment passes just fades away. Now, picture if you will, an eternal God who loves to shine into the window of your life, or break through the cool or dark of the day to just come in and dine with you. In other words, a Mighty God who loves you more than anything else on the earth or in heaven and delights in showering you with His Presence no matter with what you see looking out of that window of life. I say that to illustrate life's windows where we see only through a glass dimly. Life throws whatever it may at us and all we can see at the moment is what we see. It may be dread over a missed opportunity, feeling of missed purpose or fulfillment, a decision that you made that you thought was bad, an endless physical ailment

that just won't go away, or a spiritual struggle that seems bigger than the tallest mountain. Whatever the case may be, there is grace and the light of God's Presence to burst through in radiant light.

We have a Great and Mighty God who loves to rain down His Presence on us. Blessed are those who make this their dwelling place. To abide in the shadow of Almighty God and to experience the true joy of His salvation from day to day and praise to praise. It is no wonder the Apostle Paul said to '*rejoice always*' (1 Thess. 5:16).

Do you know that God really loves you and wants to lavish His Presence upon you? I mean, do you really know this?

O Lord You are truly the glory of their strength for they find reason enough to praise You, even in the cool and dark moments of life. You renew their strength and they mount up on wings like eagles. Look what Albert Barnes (1834) had to say on this topic,

*Their strength derives its beauty and honor, not from anything in themselves, but from the fact that it is derived from thee. The strength thus imparted is an honor or ornament in itself; it is an honor and glory to them that it is imparted to them.*

Do you know the light of God's Presence? Do you know that He delights for you to walk in it?

Heavenly Father, You are surely above all, and in all, and through all. There is literally nothing outside of Your reach. Nothing we go through is ever unknown to You. And we know that You delight in being the glory of our strength. Sometimes, Lord, our service to You and for You can become a rote exercise where we lose sight of what is important. Lead us to be a people that know the joyful sound and who walk in the light of Your Presence and rejoice all day long. In Jesus name. Amen

I raise a Hallelujah in the presence of my enemies because Your Presence Lord will destroy every stronghold and You go with us and You are the glory of our strength. Praise You, Lord! Hallelujah!

Barnes, Albert (1834) Notes on the Bible, taken from

<https://biblehub.com/commentaries/barnes/psalms/89.htm>

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