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The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9

²² It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.
²³ They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.
Lamentations 3:22-23

Announcements:

Responsive Reading today – I Samuel 7:1-12

FROM THE PASTOR:

As of now we are coming back to the sanctuary on Sunday, August 2, 2020. If you are not feeling well, please stay home until you're better.

FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR.....

"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Psalm 91:1-2

During the last couple of years I have heard more of this term "Absolute Immunity" than ever before. When you research this phrase, there are a number of definitions, descriptions, explanations, meanings, and even opinions of what "Absolute Immunity" means.

According to Webster, absolute means when you're so sure of something that you know it will never change, or absolute can also mean "without any doubt." Immunity means protection or exemption from something, especially an obligation or penalty. When you put it all together, you and I are free from whatever we've been given "Absolute Immunity" from. For those of us who have been called by His name, we have "Absolute Immunity" from the penalty of sin. That's why it is very important to dwell in the secret place of the Most High.

For he that takes up that rightful position, he that by faith chooses God for his protector, shall find all in him that he needs or can desire. And those who have found the comfort of making the Lord their refuge, cannot but desire that others may do so. The spiritual life is protected by Divine grace from the temptations of Satan, which are as the snares of the fowler, and from the contagion of sin, which is a noisome pestilence. Great security is promised to believers in the midst of danger. Wisdom shall keep them from being afraid without cause, and faith shall keep them from being unduly afraid. Whatever is done, our heavenly Father's will is done, and we have no reason to fear. God's people shall see, not only God's promises fulfilled, but his threatening's also. Then let sinners come unto the Lord upon his

mercy-seat, through the Redeemer's name; and encourage others to trust in him also.

Whatever happens, nothing shall hurt the believer; though trouble and affliction befall, it shall come, not for his hurt, but for good, though for the present it be not joyous but grievous. Those who rightly know God, will set their love upon him. They by prayer constantly call upon him. His promise is, that he will in due time deliver the believer out of trouble, and in the meantime be with him in trouble. The Lord will manage all his worldly concerns, and preserve his life on earth, so long as it shall be good for him. For encouragement in this he looks unto Jesus. He shall live long enough; till he has done the work he was sent into this world for and is ready for heaven. Who would wish to live a day longer than God has some work to do, either by him or upon him? A man may die young yet be satisfied with living. But a wicked man is not satisfied even with long life. At length, the believer's conflict ends. For is done for ever with trouble, sin, and temptation. Then you will receive your "Absolute Immunity" from God through His son, the only begotten son, Jesus Christ, our soon coming king.....