

Acts 18:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

Analysis

God's promise 'I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee' provided assurance of protection. 'I have much people in this city' revealed divine foreknowledge of future conversions. God's knowledge of His elect encouraged continued ministry.

Historical Context

This vision came after opposition and before extended ministry. Paul remained 18 months in Corinth - unusually long - because of this divine assurance.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does God's promise of presence strengthen ministry in hostile environments?

2. What does 'much people in this city' teach about God's sovereign election?

Interlinear Text

διότι	ἐγώ	είμι	μετὰ	σοῦ	καὶ	οὐδεὶς	ἐπιθήσεται	σοι	
For	I	am	with	thee	and	no man	shall set on	thee	
G1360	G1473	G1510	G3326	G4675	G2532	G3762	G2007	G4671	
τοῦ	κακῶσαί	σε	διότι	λαός	ἐστίν	μοι	πολὺς	ἐν	τῇ
G3588	to hurt	thee	For	people	have	I	much	in	G3588
	G2559	G4571	G1360	G2992	G2076	G3427	G4183	G1722	
πόλει	ταύτῃ								
city		G3778							
		G4172							

Additional Cross-References

Exodus 4:12 (Parallel theme): Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

Matthew 28:20 (Parallel theme): Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

2 Corinthians 12:9 (Parallel theme): And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Isaiah 41:10 (Parallel theme): Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

John 10:16 (Parallel theme): And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

Romans 8:31 (Parallel theme): What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

Matthew 10:30 (Parallel theme): But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

Joshua 1:9 (Parallel theme): Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

Isaiah 43:2 (Parallel theme): When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isaiah 54:17 (Parallel theme): No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

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