

# Psalms 59:4

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

They run and prepare themselves without my fault: awake to help me, and behold.

## Analysis

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The enemies' running and preparation 'without my fault' emphasizes the injustice of persecution. David's appeal 'awake to help me' uses anthropomorphic language—God neither sleeps (Psalm 121:4) but David pleads for God to act visibly. 'Behold' requests divine witness of injustice, confident that God's omniscience will lead to intervention.

## Historical Context

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Saul's men actively surrounded David's house (1 Samuel 19:11), creating immediate danger. David's escape required both Michal's warning and God's providence, showing that 'help' comes through ordained means, not merely miraculous intervention.

## Related Passages

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**1 John 4:8** — God is love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. How does crying out for God to 'awake' express urgency while maintaining faith in His sovereignty?
2. What role do human means play in God's deliverance?

## Interlinear Text

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H1097	themselves without my fault	They run	and prepare	awake	to help
	H5771	H7323	H3559	H5782	H7125
וַיֵּרָא:					
me and behold					
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## Additional Cross-References

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**Psalms 35:23** (Parallel theme): Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, even unto my cause, my God and my Lord.