

Psalm 91:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

Analysis

God promises: "He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him" (Hebrew yiq-ra'eni v-e'nehu immo-anokhi v-tzarah achalletzehu va-akhab-dehu). Four divine commitments: answer prayer, accompany in trouble, deliver, and honor. The sequence progresses: God hears, God is present, God rescues, God exalts. The condition is calling upon God—prayer expressing dependence. This verse assures that those who dwell in God's presence (vv.1-2) will experience His intervention.

Historical Context

These promises echo throughout Scripture. God answered patriarchs, Moses, prophets, and apostles. "I will be with you" appears repeatedly (Genesis 28:15, Exodus 3:12, Joshua 1:9, Matthew 28:20). The pattern: those who call, God answers. Yet "deliverance" doesn't always mean immediate relief—sometimes God sustains through suffering (2 Corinthians 12:9). The ultimate "honor" comes at resurrection (Philippians 3:21).

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How have you experienced God answering, accompanying, delivering, or honoring you?
2. What does it mean that God is "with you in trouble" even when He doesn't immediately remove it?
3. How does Christ's call from the cross (Matthew 27:46) and resurrection demonstrate God's pattern of hearing, accompanying, delivering, and honoring?

Interlinear Text

אֶלְךָ	וְעַבְדָּךְ	אָנֹכִי	נִזְמָן
He shall call	upon me and I will answer	H5973	H595
H7121	H6030		
בְּאַתָּה	אֶלְכָּךְ	אֶלְכָּבְדָּה	אֶלְכָּבְדָּה
him I will be with him in trouble	I will deliver	him and honour	
H6869	H2502	H3513	

Additional Cross-References

Jeremiah 33:3 (Parallel theme): Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

Psalms 50:15 (Parallel theme): And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

Isaiah 65:24 (Parallel theme): And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

Psalms 138:7 (Parallel theme): Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

John 12:26 (Parallel theme): If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.

1 Samuel 2:30 (Parallel theme): Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

Psalms 10:17 (Parallel theme): LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:

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.

Hebrews 5:7 (Parallel theme): Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared;

Psalms 23:4 (Parallel theme): Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.