

And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.

But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God. (Acts 20:22-24)

Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, and Israel had walked in my ways!

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I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries. (Psalm 81:13-14)

Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after. (Jeremiah 30:16-17)

But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries. (Exodus 23:22)

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And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: (Phillippians 1:28)

Starting Attitudes

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Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (Revelations 1:5-6)

But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries. (Exodus 23:22)

O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever? (Psalm 74:10)

And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries? (Joshua 5:13)

And Esther said, The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman. (Esther 7:6)

The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed. (1 Samuel 2:10)

And her adversary (Peninnah) also provoked her (Hannah) sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut up her womb.

And as he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat. (1 Samuel 1:6-7)

As the LORD liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity. (2 Samuel 4:9)

I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;

2. 3. The ultimate goal of adversity is to increase our trust level in God by keeping us focused on His ability. 4. 5. 6.



And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room. (Psalm 31:7-8)

Let them be confounded and consumed that are adversaries to my soul; let them be covered with reproach and dishonour that seek my hurt.

But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more. (Psalm 71:13-14)

But now the LORD my God hath given me rest on every side, so that there is neither adversary nor evil occurrent. (1 Kings 5:4)

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. (Romans 12:18)

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: (Hebrews 12:14)

Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked. (Psalm 94:12-13)

They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries; because I follow the thing that good is. (Psalm 38:20)

And the LORD stirred up an adversary unto Solomon... (1 Kings 11:14)

And God stirred him up another adversary...

And he was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon... (1 Kings 11:23, 25)





And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity, and the water of affliction, vet shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers: And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. 10. (Isaiah 30:20-21) A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. (Proverbs 17:17) 11. In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him. (Ecclesiastes 7:14) Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer: 12. For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist. (Luke 21:14-15) 13. Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel; And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God. (Phillippians 1:27-28) 14. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. (1 Peter 5:8-9)