

## “Whom Shall I Fear”

Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash | Scott Cash  
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Many of us know and love the truth of the song “Whom Shall I Fear” by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, and Scott Cash. The song reads as follows:

*I know Who goes before me  
I know Who stands behind  
The God of angel armies is always by my side  
The One who reigns forever  
He is a friend of mine  
The God of angel armies is always by my side*

*And nothing formed against me shall stand  
You hold the whole world in Your hands  
I'm holding on to Your promises  
You are faithful*

**The lyrics of the chorus and bridge of this song are supported in several biblical passages. One specific passage that coincides well with this song is that of Psalm 27. Read the passage below silently to yourself.**

### Psalm 27

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation- whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life- of whom shall I be afraid? 2 When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall. 3 Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident. 4 One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. 5 For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock. 6 Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

7 Hear my voice when I call, Lord; be merciful to me and answer me. 8 My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek. 9 Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior. 10 Though my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will receive me. 11 Teach me your way, Lord; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors. 12 Do not turn me over to the desire of my foes, for false witnesses rise up against me, spouting malicious accusations. 13 I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. 14 Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

**Once you have read the passage once, read it again a second time out loud. Listen for words and phrases that stick out. Take note of these promises and attributes of God by underlining or highlighting them.**

**Meditate on the following direction from the Psalmist. Take a time of silence and pause between each line.**

“Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.”

“Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart.”

“Wait for the Lord.”

“Wait.”

**Reflect on the following promises of God’s character. Take a time of silence and pause between each line.**

“The Lord is my light and my salvation.”

“The Lord is the stronghold of my life.”

“He will keep me safe in his dwelling.”

“He will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.”

“The Lord will receive me.”

**Questions**

**1. What attributes has God revealed to you of himself from this passage? Write those below.**

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**2. What fears have you not surrendered to the Lord? Write them down and bring them to the Lord in prayer and petition.**

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**3. What are practical ways you will choose to “wait for the Lord” today? In what ways will you slow down, pause, and wait for the Lord? Write those practices below.**

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**Try this breath prayer today to truly practice the words of Psalm 27. Take a slow, deep breath; pause, then exhale.**

**Inhale:** “The Lord is my light and salvation.”

**Pause**

**Exhale:** “whom shall I fear?”

**Each time today that you read a news article update or hear troubling news, remember to wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.**

**Attached below is the link to the song “Whom Shall I Fear.”**

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