

PROV. 30:5 - GOD IS MY SHIELD!

“Every word of God is flawless; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him.
KJV - Every word of God is pure: He is a shield unto them that put their trust in Him.

I. MY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO PUT MY TRUST IN GOD

We know we can trust Him because of His track record from the beginning of time!

What does it mean to “put your trust/take refuge in Him”? The word means “to seek refuge; to flee for protection; to have hope and confidence; to make your refuge.” It’s the equivalent of the NT word for “_____”.

II. IF I PUT MY TRUST IN HIM, HE IS MY SHIELD!

There were 2 types of shields used in Bible days: 1) a large, full-body shield; 2) a smaller shield, worn by the soldier, strapped to his forearm.

This shield was not just a defensive weapon, it was an offensive weapon, too!

Gen. 15:1 - After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.” God is saying that “I am your shield, AND I can be trusted to meet your _____!”

II Sam. 22:3 My God is my rock (Prov. 30:26,– Aug. 12)), in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation (deliverance, strength). He is my stronghold (Prov. 18:10 – Sept. 10, 2017), my refuge and my savior— from violent people you save me.

II Sam. 22:31 – “As for God, his way is perfect: The Lord’s word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.” God always acts _____ (without spot, with perfect integrity); His Word is flawless/pure”, so take refuge in Him and allow Him to be your shield!

II Sam. 22:36 – “You make your saving help my shield, your help has made me great.” This is God’s grace, by which He _____ TO OUR PLEA!!! V. 37 – my feet haven’t slipped!

Ps. 3:3 - But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. David wrote this during the events of II Sam. 15, when he was fleeing from Absalom, his son who had turned the people against David.

Ps. 18:2 The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Several times “help” and “shield” are used together.

Ps. 18:35 (II Sam. 22:36 is the same verse) – You make your saving help my shield, and your right hand sustains me; your help has made me great.

Ps. 28:7 – The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and He helps me.

Ps. 33:20 - We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

Ps. 115:11 - You who fear him, trust in the Lord—he is their help and shield.

Ps. 84:11 -For the LORD God is a sun (light in the darkness) and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

Ps. 144:2 - He is my loving God and my fortress, my stronghold and my deliverer, my shield, in whom I take refuge, who subdues peoples under me.

Ps. 5:12 - Surely, LORD, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield. The word favor means “to be _____ with”. If you _____ God, He will surround you as a shield!

Prov. 30:5 - God’s Word is pure; we can trust Him to protect us. Notice these 2 verses tying God’s Word to our protection:

Ps. 119:114 - You are my refuge (covering, hiding place) and my shield; I have put my hope in your word.

Psalms 91:4: “He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth [shall be thy] shield (the “door-sized” shield) and buckler.”

The buckler was similar to the smaller shield – it was strapped to your forearm, and was most typically used for people who might need to defend themselves in day to day situations!!!!!!!

So, through God’s Word (the TRUTH), we have protection for the battles of life (door-sized shield); AND for the day to day living of our lives!!!! Each moment, He is our shield and buckler – His word is pure!!! Trust Him!!!