**Faithfull to the end - Psalm 91**

**Opening Hymn – Faithful one -** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uxviwvjyg1w>

Faithful one so unchanging - Ageless one – You are my Rock of Peace Lord of all I depend on You - I call out to You Again and again - I call out to You - Again and again

You are my rock in times of trouble - You lift me up when I fall down
All through the storm, Your love is - The anchor, My hope is in You alone

**Prayers** – For all the dear family of Beacon and our extended family and friends the world over. For our NHS and all Key workers serving our communities everywhere. For all those suffering hardship during this time. For our dear folks in Nursing or Care homes were loved ones can’t see their loved ones. For Michael, Sue, Maureen, and all those we Know who are suffering at this time. And finally our politicians for they have a thankless task in informing us as day by day brings new challenges.

### **Kids’ corner** – faithful can be summed up in different ways to our children, using their best loved toy, book, or pet, and how much they love them and wouldn’t want to part with them. We can use these items to help focus on how a pet trusts us and we faithfully feed them, care for them love them, cuddle them (even our snake Slinky) how they look out for us and so on! Then you can explain how God is faithful to us, He loves us with a never ending love! (Numerous YouTube clips can help) – I.e. Gods faithfulness elementary 1, 2 3 and 4 – Faithful servant – faithfulness (fruit of the Spirit) to mention just a few, Then finish with - [Always Faithful](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3E3OmboTEIQ)[Super ManWell Segarra](https://www.youtube.com/user/manuelsegalex)

**Offerings** – All gifts tithes’ envelopes can be sent to John Sucksmith by Post or given in a sealed envelope to Pastor Paul who will forward them to JS. Or if you would like to pay direct into the Bank don’t hesitate in speaking to JS.

**Hymn – God will make away -** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RsMAXhc0QTs>

Oh, God will make a way - Where there seems to be no way - He works in ways we cannot see
He will make a way for me

**Chorus -** He will be my guide - Hold me closely to His side - With love and strength for each new day
He will make a way, He will make a way

By a roadway in the wilderness, He'll lead me - And rivers in the desert will I see
Heaven and Earth will fade but His word will still remain - And He will do something new today

**Chorus**

He will be my guide - Hold me closely to His side
with love and strength for each new day - He will make a way, He will make a way

By a roadway in the wilderness, He'll lead me - And rivers in the desert will I see
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He will make a way, He will make a way - With love and strength for each new day
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**Message – Faithful to the End.**

Psalm 91 is indeed a remarkable Psalm, yet it has more implications during the trying times we are encountering at the moment with the Pandemic sweeping across our World. Please open your Bible and join me as we read through Psalm 91 and let’s discover the blessing of God for our sad – sad situation today.

**Read Psalm 91**

Wow – prophetic or what, did you ever imagine there was a passage of God’s Word written thousands of years ago, with so much in common with what we are encountering today.

As we start –

When we live in the presence of God, under His shelter and rest in His shadow - **He alone** is **my refuge, my place of safety**; for   **he is my God**, **and I trust him.**

How firm is our trust in God Almighty? Verses 3-4 speaks volumes of how God will deal with our present predicament - He will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease.
**4**He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings.   His faithful promises are your Armor and protection.

Have you grasped this gem yet? He rescues us – from every Trap and wait for it – **He protects us from deadly disease!**

Note the explanation speaks of covering us with His feathers, sheltering us with His wings – (like a hen protects her chicks) this is our God - His faithful promises are your Armour and protection.

God is faithful to the end!

Verses 5-7 then comes the assurance “we have nothing to fear” even, wait for it even when **a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you**, ( and it’s not finished yet) **these evils will not touch you.**

From verses 8 -13 is indeed a catalogue of some gems

Just open your eyes - If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,
no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home!

For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go.

Then comes the icing on the cake of our lives - Verses 14 – 16 The Lord says, “I will rescue those who love me I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble.   I will rescue and honour them. I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation.”

So – do you love God and Trust Him with all that you are, if so – He will protect us!

#When we call on Him (Pray) He will Answer and be with us through all the troubles we encounter. Assuring us He will rescue us and Honour us.

**Then finally – rewards us with a long life giving us His Salvation.**

That is what God offers is only we Trust and Love Him.

What a God we serve!

I read an article earlier this week that truly sums up the faithfulness of God –

**Carl is an insignificant individual but with a heart for God**

Until the beginning of this year (2018) I was a very proud person and didn't even realise it. I was proud that I was healthy and in need of nothing. Then my annual check-up revealed that I had stage four cancer.

My liver enzymes revealed I had cancer in my body somewhere. Several tests later revealed it was in my colon. The oncologist said I needed chemo soon. However, I first needed to have a blockage from my bowel removed.

After the operation, I was hospitalised for many days, and this was a very dark time for me because I was under the control of some powerful drugs. The only thing I remember about this time is the stupid dreams.

At the follow-up session with the surgeon, he was surprised at the high dose of drugs so he prescribed something different and, praise God, I ended up not needing any drugs at all.

As I came out of the darkness, God was showing me the great darkness people are in when addicted to drugs. They are overpowered and need help. Praise God, He helped without further medications.

Chemo finally came, and it was just before the fourth session I received very good news. Of the markers they use to determine the severity of cancer, mine had gone down from nearly 400 to less than 50 -- PRAISE GOD.

Now let me teach a little. Before all this happened, God gave me several passages of scripture to memorise. I thought they for me to use in my ministry, however, they have been a great blessing to me now as I recover. Let me share them with you.

Psalm 25: 1-7 -- ''. . . let me not be ashamed . . ."
Psalm 34: 1-7 -- " I will bless the LORD at all times . . ."
1 John 1:5-10 -- "If we confess . . . he will forgive . . ."
1 John 1: 15-17 --"Love not the world . . ."
2 Peter 1:4 -- ". . . partaker of the divine nature . . ."
Galatians 5:16-17 ". . . walk in the spirit . . ."
Psalm 103 this psalm gives the benefits of a relation with God. Carl

If these scripture portions are helpful to you and if there is a request I can pray for you, I will.

May the Lord bless you and sustain you now and throughout all your remaining days for He is faithful in every way.

Amen

Closing Hymn - The Lords my Shepherd - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN4tPkX0MG0>

The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want; He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone, And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know.

**Based on Psalm 23 – 36:8 and 56:3**

God bless you and be with you and to you all – all you need, until we meet together again!

**Amen**

Yours in Christ Pastor Paul

I hope and pray this gives you Spiritual food for thought over the next week.