

THE ST. PAUL SCHOOL

“Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ” (I Corinthians 11:1)

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GOD PROMISES TO DEFEND YOU! WOW!!

(God’s Plans And Promises For You From The Book Of Isaiah)

Lesson 221

“No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is from Me, says the Lord.” Isaiah 54:17

This promise has brought great comfort to many a saint who have been lied about or abused in different ways by evil people. It was given to Israel, and history proves its accuracy. Assaulted by world powers and devilish dictators, only Israel has survived, while her tormentors have vanished or been reduced to a state of humility. Assyria, Babylon, the Greek and Roman empires—all gone.

The Herods, Hamans and Hitlers of earth reduced to dust. Other former powers left by God as a lesson to the wise (the foolish never learn!). Egypt lives on but only in prophesied weakness. Great Britain, having fought against the rebirth of Israel, has seen the sun set forever on her former world empire.

Yet this covenant of protection takes in more than God's heart for His ancient people. It takes in His loving heart for you and for me. Look at this scripture closely, believe it completely, and you will never end up trying to be your own first defender. You will let God defend you, with your only concern being that you are pleasing to Him.

Remember the saying, "Keep your character in mint condition and your reputation will take care of itself." No weapon formed against you will prosper - and that includes the most cutting weapon of all - a poisonous tongue.

If someone throws a lemon at you, make lemonade rather than throw it back. If another hurls mud your way, don't try to rub it off. You'll only make it worse. Just love the Lord, allow no bitterness in your heart, let the mud dry, and shake it off. See? Hardly a spot! Truth will always win out. God will vindicate you in His way and in His day.

My prayer: "I trust You as my defender, Lord. Let my only concern be to please You."