

Be Immoveable:
Trust in the Lord
Psalms 125

Lesson 2: Psalms of Guidance

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Psalms 125 – A Song of Ascents

Psalms 125:1, *“They that trust in Jehovah are as mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abideth for ever.”*

Setting: Verses 1-2 COMPARISON

- Then mount Zion.
- A mountain is an emblem of firmness and stability.
 - This must have been either, the idea that Zion was particularly strong by position.
- It was under the divine protection, and was therefore safe. (cf. Psalms 34:7; Zechariah 2:5, *“For I, saith Jehovah, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and I will be the glory in the midst of her.”*)

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Psalms 125:2, *“As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so Jehovah is round about his people from this time forth and for evermore.”*

Setting: Verses 1-2 COMPARISON

NOTE: Matthew 23ff; Hebrews 12:22ff

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Psalms 125:3, *“For the sceptre of wickedness shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; that the righteous put not forth their hands unto iniquity.”*

Verse 3 EXPLANATION

- “The rod” – i.e., the sceptre of the wicked world-power.
- Messiah’s sceptre shall at last break the pagan sceptre (Psalms 2:9; 45:6).
- If the dominion of the ungodly were allowed always to oppress the righteous, the faith and patience of these latter might fail. The temptation might, if too long protracted, overcome the saints (cf. Asaph’s temptation, Psalms 73:13).
- NOTE: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

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Psalms 125:4, *“Do good, O Jehovah, unto those that are good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.”*

Verse 4 REQUEST

- Let them be under the divine protection.
- Possibly a prayer, but is expressive of the belief of the psalmist as to what would occur under the divine administration-that the favor of God would rest upon his people.
- **However, consider ... Matthew 12:43–45**