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FIRM AND SECURE IN THE LORD'S POWER AND STRENGTH

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If any people, in their quest for security in life amidst certain difficult challenges they face, inevitably turn to someone or something that will provide them with much needed comfort and assurance as they battle these formidable foes that are out to wreak havoc on their personal, mental and emotional faculties.

Do not allow the enemy to get a foothold and mislead you with his evil schemes to lure you into a false sense of security in activities which will definitely turn to peril; material things which may provide temporary relief; people who may fool you and take you on a dizzying roller coaster ride.

The reminder from many passages in Scripture point us to the ultimate source of security and that is our Lord and Savior,

Jesus Christ. Indeed, no one can give us power when we are vulnerable, strength when we are weak, courage when we are left hopeless.

The Book of Psalms is a great source of encouragement for believers and our sermon today on Psalm 28 is one of those psalms that should lift us up and give us security as we rest in the power and strength of our Lord.

Very frequently for most, the first recourse is fear and panic. But, we need to recognize that fear is not from God, because God gives us the victory even in our most difficult and worrisome battles. When we face our enemies, we need to be prepared for battle ourselves, otherwise, the enemy will gain the upper hand and emerge victorious against

us. We need to be armed with God's Word and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 46:10 sums it up and points us to the only one who can truly grant us the security we need. "Be still and know that I am God." In the short psalm, we are exhorted to lift the heaviness of the load we carry and turn it over to God himself. Let us not tarry and struggle as we bear the tremendous burden on our shoulders.

Let the knowledge of God's power and strength that is available to us be the source of security we always need in life.*