

God's Promises #4
God is Always Watching-I will Not Falter

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God looked through eternity past and He saw you and He chose to reach out and save you by His own grace. It's hard to imagine that kind of love. That's why He can't keep His eyes off of you!

"But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you. And through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you. When you walk through fire you shall not be burned.'" Isaiah 43:1-2

God is watching You where You are!

Wrong views of God watching

- Some people think that God watches them like a resentful relative.
"The LORD quiets us with His love and rejoices over us with singing"
Zephaniah 3:17
- Some people think that God watches us like a hawk on the hunt.
"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" Romans 8:1
- Some people think that God is watching us like the crabby Church Lady from old Saturday Night Live skits
"You have not handed me over to my enemies but have set me in a safe place" Psalm 31:8
- Some people think that God is like a cantankerous boss.
"So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us."
1 John 4:16

The eyes of the Lord are watching us.

What does that mean?

- The eyes of the Lord are inescapable
"A man's ways are before the eyes of the LORD, and he ponders all his paths." Proverbs 5:21
"The eyes of the LORD are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good." Proverbs 15:3
- The eyes of the Lord are synonymous with what's right and true.
"And you shall do what is right and good in the sight of the LORD, that it may go well with you." Deuteronomy 6:18

- The eyes of the Lord are focused upon and attentive to His children
"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."
1 Peter 3:12
- The eyes of the Lord are searching for people to bless.
"For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to strengthen those hearts who are fully committed to Him."
2 Chronicles 16:9
- The eyes of the Lord are provoked to grace when He observes a righteous person.
"Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD" Genesis 6:8

Why does God watch us?
Because we are precious to Him!!!!

"For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior, because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you." Isaiah 43:3-4

- As a result of His loving protection no temptation will take us down!!
God Gives us escape Hatches:
Finality- wisdom- strength-holy un-expected- other believers etc..

"No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it."
1 Corinthians 10:13

LP We don't know what's going to happen today at home or at work or school but we need to believe God will be faithful.

LP God's promises are experience in Jesus Christ.
"For all the promises of God find their Yes in Jesus." 2 Corinthians 1:20

Lord, I thank You today that You are so faithful. You are with me. You are in control. You are good. And You are watching. You know just when I'm in real need of a temporary or permanent way of escape—and You provide it! What an amazing truth that I can count on even though I may not see the exit until I need it. I don't have to fear no matter what circumstances come because You are with me. Thank You for the escapes You have already brought into my life. Cause me to remember them when I'm tempted to think that I'm stuck in a situation with no way out. With You, there's always a way out, through, around, or over! How good and faithful You really are. Amen.

