## Wait And Be Of Good Courage

"Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD." (Ps 27:14 KJV)

Patiently looking unto the Lord with no fear but with great hope of salvation based on your experience of seeing the Lord who is able to deliver. This patience gives peace to your storm and strengthens your heart. One is able to wait on the Lord because one knows whom the Lord is and that nothing is impossible for the Lord.

Knowing the Lord as one's Light leads one to trust no matter how dark situations. When darkness does surround, one is not lost because the Lord is *my* light. This emphatic use of my in this Psalm shows the deep-rooted personal relationship to have with the Lord. Knowing the Lord involves knowing his word. Knowing God's word. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Ps 119:105 NAS95). In God's word we find his promise and know that he will fight for his people. Knowing God will fight for his people gives one confidence or in other words to have no fear knowing his God will defend him.

Therefore it is easy to wait on the Lord who is a rock, fortress, a stronghold, strength or defense. Different translations use different words in Psalm 27:1 where the KJV uses strength. What they all do agree on is that the Lord is able to defend and protect his children and defeat the enemy. Or on the other hand the enemy will not prevail in attacking God's people because the Lord is there strength. Humans know their weakness and inability to do what is beyond their strength and imagination. The enemy comes to take life while the Lord gives life. So why it seems that it might be better to give up, the Lord is encouraging you to wait. Even while all signs point to things not working in your favor. Remember that God gives favor. Even as you realize that the problems you face seem insurmountable and you have not a clue how you will even try. Just take a shift in your focus and turn to the Lord and surrender and, "Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD" (Ps 27:14 KJV).

## Additional verse for focus:

"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, Eph 3:21 to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen." (Eph 3:20–21 NAS95)