

## From the Pastor's Desk.....

**The Lord is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?**

**Psalm 27:1** NKJV

Hello family,

Several years ago Robyn and I lived in a little town in Oregon.

Our House had an attached garage with a workshop area where I set up my workbench to deal with various projects.

The bad thing about this garage was that it was frequently visited by pre-historic spiders.

Okay they weren't pre-historic but they were really really big. Just sayin'.

Its not something that I'm proud of or overly concerned about either, but I don't like spiders. Nope not even the little ones. They just give me the heeby jeebies. :)

One afternoon I was working on something on the wokbench and here comes one of the resident seemingly pre-historic spiders.

I don't like being afraid so I was determined to stand my ground and defend this workbench at all costs. I did the most rational and logical thing and armed myself with the first thing I could get my hands on, a crescent wrench, and then sprang into action. I smacked that thing with enough force that I thought it could of registered on the richter scale. Problem solved, right?

As this giant beast lay motionless on my workbench I all of sudden had a Wile Coyote moment and broke out my ACME magnifying glass to get a closer look at this thing that had caused so much fear in me.

About the time I got within three inches of this monster it moved causing me to scream like a little girl and exit the garage at a much higher rate of speed than ever before. I'm really not sure if that scream came out or not but it was certainly in my heart and mind. The sudden unexpected movement of that thing completely caught me off guard.

You're probably wondering what any of this has to do with [Psalm 27:1](#).

David acknowledged the Lord as his light and his salvation as well as the strength of his life. He completely trusted in and relied on the Lord in everything.

His confidence was completely in the Lord.

When David mentions, "Of whom shall I be afraid?" that word afraid is referring to being startled by a sudden alarm.

Sometimes in life things can happen suddenly that catch us off guard or surprise us for various reasons. That's to be expected. Those times remind us of the importance of leaning on, depending on, trusting fully in the Lord , instead of living in the fear that often comes along with those unexpected things.

As we read on in [Psalm 27](#) we find that David chose to worship the Lord instead of living in fear. Throughout the [Psalm](#) David talks about several life events, circumstances and scenarios where he knows that he is secure in the Lord. All the time.

He closes with [verse 14](#) which says:

"Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord."

We can do this too, family. Remember who are trust is in. Remember the Lord.

Seek Him, trust Him, rely fully on Him in all things. Let's make sure to know and remember that He is always in control, and let's let Him strengthen and encourage us in all things no matter how big or small they might be or seem to be.

In Christ's love,

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