

Psalm 27:1-3

FAITH'S FEARLESSNESS

- I. The occasion.
 - A. David faced enemies who desired his life (2).
 1. Some physical enemies were Goliath, the Philistines, Saul, Ahithophel, Absalom and others.
 2. Some were spiritual enemies: Satan to prevent David's son from coming, and David's own old man of sin.
 - B. David experienced profound personal loss (10).
 - C. David experienced the loss of God's presence at times (9).
- II. In the light of such occasions for fear, how is it possible to express fearlessness?
 - A. This is not because of self-confidence.
 - B. The personal knowledge of Jehovah, as the God of my salvation.
 1. He is "my salvation."
 2. He is the "strength of my life," i.e., He gives me the ability to endure.
 3. And He is "my light."
 - C. The knowledge of Who God is and what He declares to be His relationship to us removes fear.
- III. This is (and must be) personal (there are 12 personal pronouns in our text).
 - A. Faith is a personal work of God in my heart, showing me that He has united me to Him.
 - B. Faith is confession and admission of personal weakness (which is the strength of the child of God).
 - C. The result is personal fearlessness.
 1. Fearlessness arises from the confidence of faith.
 2. So when I am afraid, then I will put my trust in Him (Ps. 56:3). I will trust and not be afraid (Isa. 12:2).