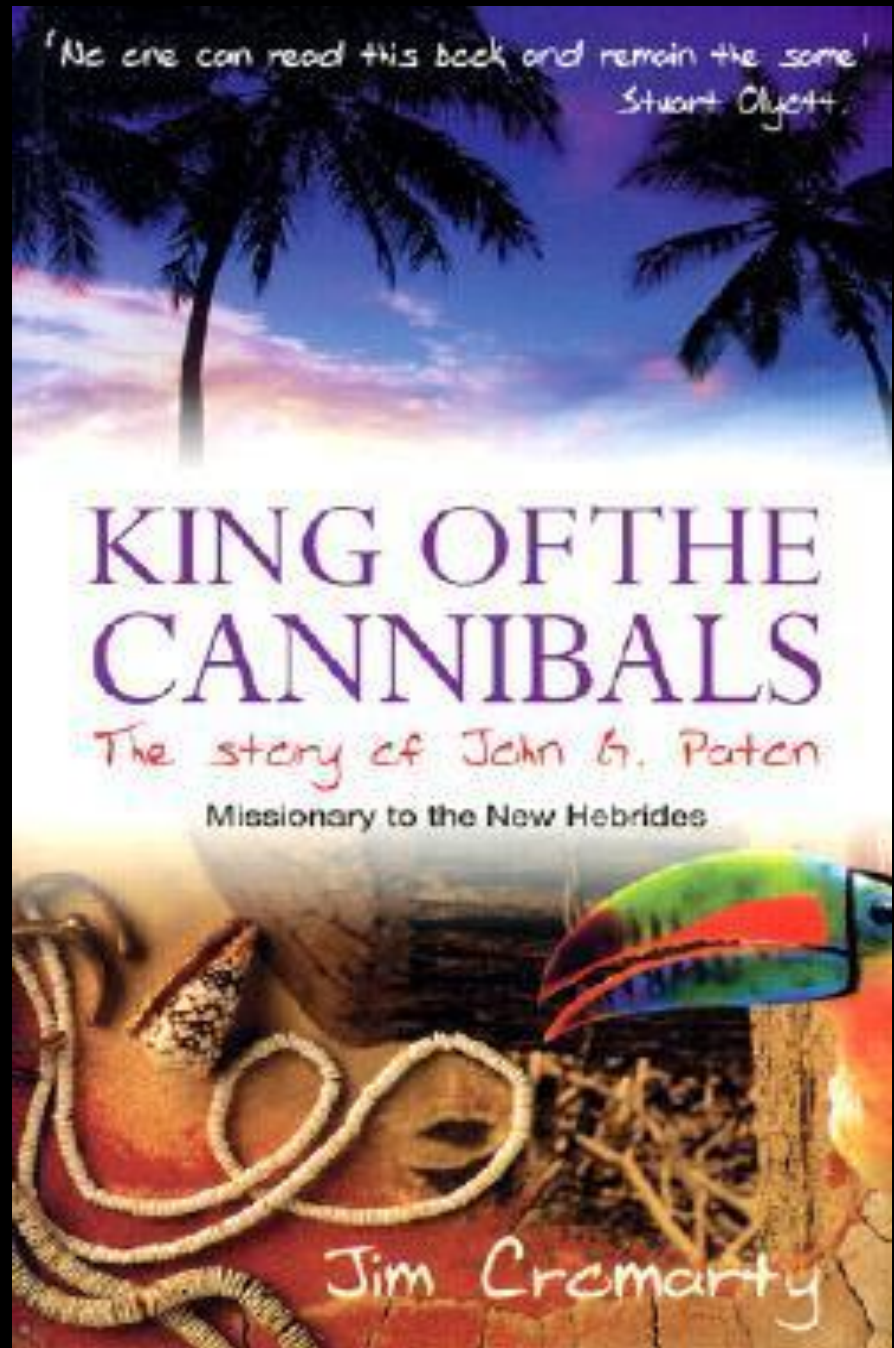
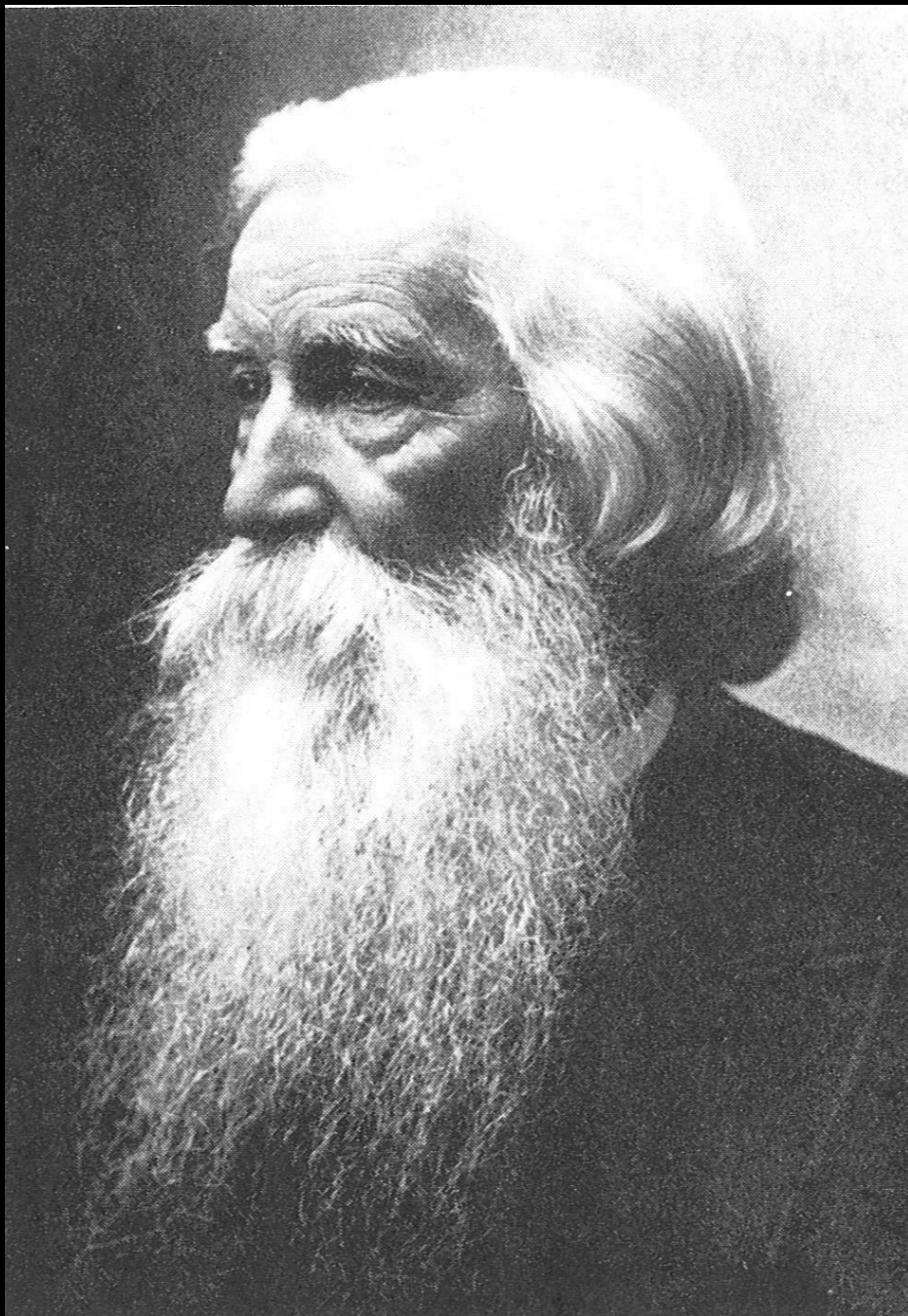





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PSALM 91



# Psalm 91

- *“dwells in the shelter”* (vs. 1)
  - *“my refuge and my fortress”* (vs. 2)
  - *“He shall deliver”* (vs. 3)
  - *“refuge...shield and buckler”* (vs. 4)
  - *“terror”* (vs. 5)
  - *“pestilence... destruction”* (vs. 6)
  - *“a thousand may fall”* (vs. 7)
  - *“my refuge”* (vs. 9)
  - *“no evil shall befall you”* (vs. 10)
  - *“guard you”* (vs. 11)
  - *“I will deliver him”* (vs. 14)
  - *“I will be with him in trouble”* (vs. 15)
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“In the whole collection there is not a more cheering psalm; its tone is elevated and sustained throughout, faith is at its best and speaks nobly.”



**Charles Spurgeon, *The Treasury of David***

# Psalm 91 Outline

I. Here is our protection (vs. 1-4).



# Key Point

God is our refuge.



“The Lord exercised His loving care for Israel like an eagle caring for its young, especially as they were taught to fly. As they began to fly and had little strength, they would start to fall.

At that point, an eagle would stop their fall by spreading its wings so they could land on them.”



**John MacArthur,**  
***The MacArthur Study Bible***

# 4 Metaphors in Vs. 3-4

1. He saves us from unexpected danger (3a).
2. He saves us from deadly danger (3b).
3. He saves us from unknown danger (4a).
4. He saves us from violent danger (4b).





*37 'O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!  
38 See, your house is left to you desolate.'*




**Matthew 23:37-38**

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“And though this world, with devils filled,  
Should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed;  
His truth to triumph through us:  
The Prince of Darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure,  
For lo! his doom is sure,  
One little word shall fell him.”

**Refrain from “A Mighty Fortress”**

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“In the year 1854, when I had scarcely been in London twelve months, the neighbourhood in which I laboured was visited by Asiatic cholera, and my congregation suffered from its inroads. Family after family summoned me to the bedside of the smitten, and almost every day I was called to visit the grave. I gave myself up with youthful ardour to the visitation of the sick, and was sent ...

**Charles Spurgeon, *The Treasury of David***

“... for from all corners of the district by persons of all ranks and religions. I became weary in body and sick at heart. My friends seemed falling one by one, and I felt or fancied that I was sickening like those around me. A little more work and weeping would have laid me low among the rest; I felt that my burden was heavier than I could ...



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“... bear, and I was ready to sink under it.

As God would have it, I was returning mournfully home from a funeral, when my curiosity led me to read a paper which was wafered up in a shoemaker's window in the Dover Road. It did not look like a trade announcement, nor was it, for it bore in a good bold hand-writing these words: -  
*'Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my ...*

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“... *refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.*’ The effect upon my heart was immediate. Faith appropriated the passage as her own. I felt secure, refreshed, girt with immortality. I went on with my visitation of the dying in a calm and peaceful spirit; I felt no fear of evil, ...”



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“... and I suffered no harm. The providence which moved the tradesman to place those verses in his window I gratefully acknowledge, and in the remembrance of its marvelous power I adore the Lord my God.”



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“God does in fact rule the flight of arrows and the spread of disease and the length of life; and he can and does give safety and health and life to whom he pleases, so that it is always a free gift of God. But he does not mean for us to presume upon these promises as guarantees that God will not permit us to fall by an arrow, succumb to disease, or die at age thirty-eight. In other words, the promises have exceptions or qualifications.”

**John Piper, *A Godward Life***

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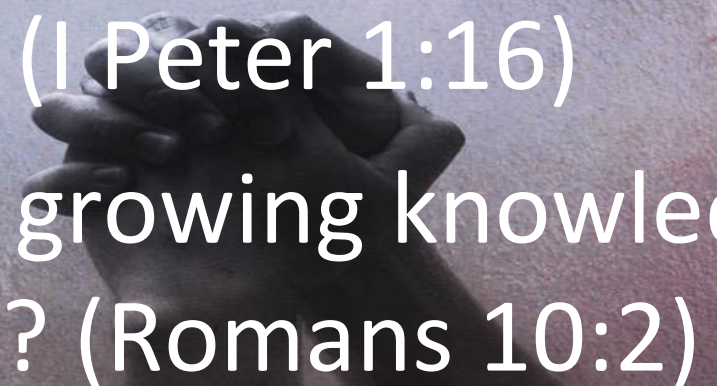


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12. Would others say you have godly affections?



“It is evident that religion consists so much in affection, as that without holy affection there is no true religion; and no light in the understanding is good, which does not produce holy affection in the heart: no habit or principle in the heart is good, which has no such exercise; and no external fruit is good, which does not proceed from such exercises.”



**Jonathan Edwards,**  
***Religious Affections***