

## Psalm 27:10

*When my father and my mother forsake me, Then the LORD will take care of me.*

When I read today's verse in Psalm 27, I focused on the second half which says, "***The LORD will take care of me.***" Which, for all of us, is a reminder that the Lord "WILL" not might, or if I am good enough, or if I do everything right, then He would take care of me. But simply "***The LORD will take care of me.***"

But also, reading the first half which says, "***When my father and my mother forsake me***" When we read that, we would never imagine our parents not taking care of us. We think back to when we were little kids, how we never worried about not having breakfast, lunch, or dinner or even food in the house. We never worried that our parent's would not provide a home for us, or a bed or covers or a pillow or a bathroom or... No, we never worried about those things as kids, because we trusted our parents. Even when we got in trouble, we still trusted them for these things, along with everything else that we had, as well as being protected by them.

I also think about bullies, yes you remember those mean kids who would beat up other little kids and threaten us that if we told on them that they would beat us up. Simply, they intimidated us so that we actually feared them. But did we ever think as kids, "*Hey, my mom and dad can take him*" lol. Okay maybe not that, but more that our parents are stronger than this bully, and they would have protected us if we asked them to. Yet we allowed the lies of the bullies to run our lives with fear as kids.

Thinking on these things, it reminds me of what Jesus taught us about faith.

† ***Matthew 18:2-4 Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."***

John also wrote:

† ***John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:***

Did you catch that? If we are "***children of God***" then that means that He is our Father, and as our Father, why do we fear the bullies of this world (satan and his followers, or whoever/whatever else is coming against us)? Why do we not trust the Lord to take care of us just like our parents would?

For me personally, I had to remind myself how much I trusted that my parents would take care of me, so much so, that I never, ever worried about it, no matter how much or little we had, nor did I ever question that fact. I then had to ask the Lord to forgive me, because I found out that I

trusted in my parent's, yet I do not always trust in God like that, and that He would take, even better care of me.

Remember when Jesus said:

† **Matthew 10:37 (NLT2)** *If you love your father or mother more than you love me, you are not worthy of being mine; or if you love your son or daughter more than me, you are not worthy of being mine.*

What if we replaced the word “love” with “trust”? **“If you trust your father or mother more than you love me, you are not worthy of being mine.”** Now Jesus did not say that, yet if we cannot “trust” the Lord, how can we “love” the Lord?

I wrote a song titled **“I Shall Not Be Moved”** and it is a song written from Psalm 62. But even though I wrote this song, and how many have read the Psalm, yet do we really believe it? Read these few verses from it, which are also in the song.

† **Psalm 62:5-7** *My soul, wait silently for God alone, For my expectation is from Him. He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, And my refuge, is in God.*

Are we being **“moved”** when trials or tribulations come our way, or can we truly say with the Psalmist **“I shall not be moved.”** We all go through those times when our faith is tested, and the Psalmist (King David) also tells us what to do in verse 8 when it does. *Note: at the end it says “Selah” which means to stop and meditate on what you just read.*

† **Psalm 62: 8** *Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah*

Let's not read the scriptures, but also put them into action, because when we do, then we can sing or say, **“I Shall Not Be Moved!”**

† **John 12:44 (NLT2)** *Jesus shouted to the crowds, “If you trust me, you are trusting not only me, but also God who sent me.”*