

My Dear Loved Ones:

God says in Psalm 91:13 - "You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, / The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot."

Here are some great promises from God about our protection. We do not take these passages literally. We do not believe that we can go out to the Middle East as a Christian and find some lions to jump on top of or a cobra to step on. Obviously, God did protect Moses from the serpent when Moses picked it up (Exodus 4), and God protected David literally from a lion attack. God CAN protect us from those things, but we certainly don't go out looking for those opportunities. For instance, Daniel was protected in the lions' den, but he didn't intentionally go out seeking to jump on lions. We could say that God will work in ways that protects us from lions and snakes when we come upon them in the pathway of duty.

But we do take this verse figuratively definitely. The lion that seeks to devour us and the snake who was in the Garden of Eden is still our arch enemy, Satan. Only God can be our Protector against Satan, and He promises to do so. Trust Him, loved one!

David Brainerd ministered to the Susquehanna Native American Indians. They wanted to kill him. A small band of Native American Indians came to him, but he was praying to "the Great Spirit in the Sky;" they saw a rattlesnake slither by him, but pass him by. They said that "the Great Spirit" is with him. The next day, as David Brainerd entered their camp, they listened to the message of the Gospel.

Loved ones, trust the Lord to protect you today. Don't presume and go out to do rash things and rush in where angels fear to tread. But when you've done what you could to be safe, trust God to protect from the most vicious of attacks: spiritual attacks from Satan.

Praying for you today, my loved ones.