



My Eyes Are on My Lord

“And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord.” Psalm 27:6 (KJV)

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In the midst of war, surrounded by wicked enemies, David was confident that God was in complete control. Fully aware of the seriousness of his situations, knowing he had many enemies who hated him and were trying to kill him; he could have had his head bowed down in defeat and his eyes on himself and all of his troubles.

David did not do that. Knowing the wickedness of his enemies and that his life was in danger, he kept his eyes on his Lord. He did not wait until his enemies were defeated and all his troubles were over before he joyfully praised God. No! He said, “Now!” In Psalm 27:6 (KJV), David said, *“And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me...”* He saw his enemies in front of him and behind him and on each side of him. Every place he looked, there were enemies all around him. In the midst of what looked like a hopeless situation, he had confidence of victory. Not confidence in his wisdom to figure out a great battle plan to defeat his enemies, or in his own strength, or in the size and power of his army. No, his confidence was in his Lord. In the midst of the battle with enemies all around him, David made a choice of his will. A choice to lift up his head and fix his eyes on his Lord. A choice to fully trust his God no matter how bad the situation looked.

David knew that in God’s way and in God’s time, all his enemies would be defeated. His trust in God came from his intimate relationship with God and countless personal experiences where he had seen God defeat his enemies. Read

1 Samuel Chapter 17. As a youth when David went to fight Goliath the giant and the mighty Philistine army who were sure of their victory, God gave David the victory! The Bible tells us of many battles that David fought, and because of his close relationship with God, he praised God ahead of the victory.

Like most of you, I have been in a war since I put my trust in Christ many years ago. Some of the ways that the enemy has tried to kill and destroy my husband Richard and I have been serious health problems lasting years (attacking both of us at the same time), the suicide of my unsaved nephew, the murder of my four-year-old niece, two church splits, several deaths of family members, an accident that almost killed me, strife among extended family members, unsaved extended family involved in drugs, alcohol, pornography, crime, and the occult, one of my brothers in prison, and countless tests, trials, and temptations daily. I could go on and on.

Richard and I have kept our eyes on the Lord, and by HIS AMAZING GRACE, we have praised Him in the midst of our battles. God has been true to His Word. He has never failed us!

With a goal to glorify Jesus Christ
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