

HOW CAN I FEAR?

Text: Psalm 27:1, etc.

- What the Bible says about God's relationship to His children in spatial/positional terms:
 - I. God Is _____ You (HEB. 12:1)**
 - Revealed in His name, Jehovah-Nissi, "the Lord our _____" (Exod. 17:15).
 - Revealed in His name, Jehovah-Raah, "the Lord my _____" (Ps. 23:1-3).
 - He is author (founder) and _____ of our faith (Heb 12:1-2), as well as our goal and greatest _____.
 - II. God Is _____ You (Ps. 16:8)**
 - He walks beside us like two people enjoying each other's company as they walk along together, or like a _____ and child walking hand-in-hand (Ps. 73:23-24).
 - The indwelling Holy Spirit is our _____ (paraclete) = One called alongside to comfort, encourage, exhort (Ps. 23:4).
 - III. God Is _____ You (Ps. 35:1-3)**
 - When enemies are out to get you, God is your _____, covering your retreat.
 - IV. God Is _____ You (JOHN 10:27)**
 - His everlasting _____ are underneath us at all times, so we can't fall too far or too hard (Deut. 33:27a, Prov. 24:16).
 - The wicked falls (into eternal punishment) never more to rise, but a just person may trip but always gets back up because God _____ Him up (Ps. 37:23-24).
 - The child of God safe in the strong hand of God (John 10:27-30).
 - Even when you don't _____ secure, God is beneath you (Ps. 94:17-18).
 - V. God Is _____ You (PSALM 91:1)**
 - God is that higher _____ under which we may find shelter in storms, a strong tower to protect us from missiles of enemies, a shade tree or canopy to shadow us from the blazing heat of sun, a sheltering mother or father bird Who hides us under His outstretched wing (Ps. 61:1-4, 91:1-4, 121:5-7).
 - Since He is always above us and protecting us, we need to _____ Him (Ps. 36:7).

CONCLUSION

- God is all around us, _____ the time (Ps. 125:2, 139:7-10).

- Application: Therefore, "How can I fear?" What _____ could you possibly face that your God can't handle?
 - If you can't see Him, stop looking with eyes of sight and see Him with eyes of faith in God's _____ (Heb 11:1, Rom. 10:17).
 - God has got you covered. His heavenly _____ are with you at this moment, deployed to protect you (2 Kings. 6:16-17, Ps. 91:9-12, 34:7, Heb. 1:14).
 - Open your eyes of faith; stop worrying, fretting, fussing; and _____ to trust in your God (Ps. 56:3-4).