

# Biblical Promises About Enemies



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### Introduction

This resource has three sections including 4 related images you can share, and 25+ related verses to encourage you on the topic. Interwoven into this content related to resurrection promises you will find a personal life story that I believe fits with the topic at hand. My hope is that you find these resources of great value as together we wait for the coming resurrections of our bodies on that glorious day when King Jesus returns for us.

### Serving the Impossible: Part 1

In the early part of my career, I was a rural mail carrier for the US Postal Service. In many ways I wish I had not left my position there, but I did. Left it for higher education because we all know that people who have advanced education have a much better chance of living a more lucratively pleasant lifestyle.

At least that is the rumor.

My own experiential knowledge is vastly different from that which the rhetoric suggests.

While working for the US Postal Service my main post was for a man that everyone, including me sometimes, liked to avoid. We often were found making statements about his likelihood of going postal.

I had to avoid most of that as best I could.

Why?

Because I was his sub as my primary duty. When subbing for other routes I watched as people literally barricaded themselves into their cubicles just in case today was the day. People were more than a little surprised that I appeared to have little to no trouble working with him.

The truth of the matter was that was anything but the case.

I would often remind them that if I were subbing for this man on a given day that would normally mean that he wasn't there, because I was the sub. In that way, working with him was an advantage.

That is until one day when it happened.

What happened?

I'll reveal that in section 2 below.

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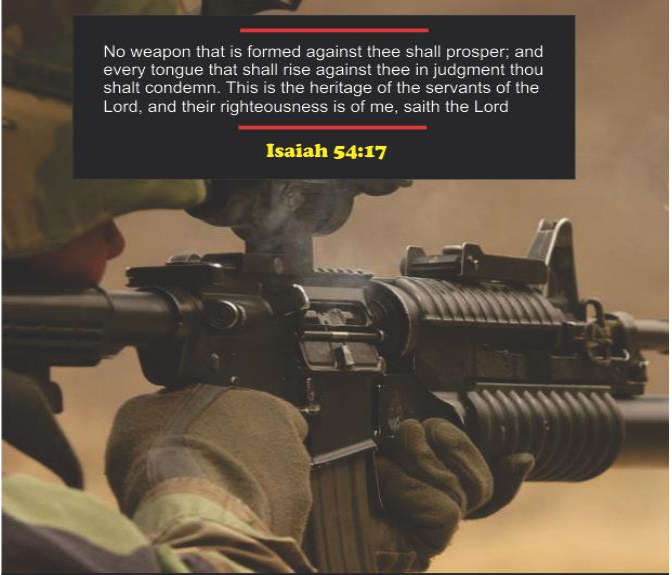
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**1 John 4:4**



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Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me

**Psalms 23:4**



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## Serving the Impossible: Part 2

I was there casing that day's mail when suddenly he shows up. He seemed to be in a particularly unpleasant mood that day and it was clear exactly who would be taking the brunt of it.

As he was laying into me about filing mail in the wrong places and not paying enough attention to people that had moved from a given location I watched as the other carriers erected their barricades. The place literally turned from an atmosphere of relative peace and safety into one of extreme tension and fear upon his arrival.

There was little I could do but patiently and lovingly try to work with him through this outburst. Keep in mind, it wasn't necessarily that he was wrong but rather how he was handling his rightness.

Most everyone was concerned that today would be the day especially as his temper mounted. However, rather than make matters worse by coping an attitude against him, I allowed the proceedings to take place and it wasn't incredibly long until he left bound for destinations who knows where.

### Enemies Promise Verses

**Genesis 50:20** (KJV) But as for you, **ye thought evil against me**; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to **save much people alive**

**Exodus 23:22** (KJV) But if thou shalt **indeed obey his voice**, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an **adversary unto thine adversaries**.

**Deuteronomy 31:6** (KJV) Be **strong and of a good courage**, fear not, nor be afraid of them: **for the LORD thy God**, he it is that doth go with thee; **he will not fail thee**, nor forsake thee.

**2 Samuel 22:4** (KJV) I will call on the LORD, **who is worthy to be praised**: so shall I be **saved from mine enemies**.

**2 Kings 17:39** (KJV) But the **LORD your God ye shall fear**; and he shall deliver you out of the **hand of all your enemies**.

**Psalms 18:17** (KJV) He delivered me **from my strong enemy**, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

**Psalms 37:1-2** (KJV) Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious **against the workers of iniquity**. For they shall soon be **cut down like the grass**, and **wither as the green herb**.

**Psalms 44:7** (KJV) But thou hast **saved us from our enemies**, and hast put them to **shame that hated us**.

**Psalms 97:10** (KJV) Ye that **love the LORD**, hate evil: he **preserveth the souls of his saints**; he **delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked**.

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**Psalm 109:2-3** (KJV) For the **mouth of the wicked** and the **mouth of the deceitful are opened against me**: they have spoken against me with a **lying tongue**. They **compassed me about also with words of hatred**; and fought against me without a cause.

**Psalm 116:16** (KJV) O LORD, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant, and the **son of thine handmaid**: thou hast **loosed my bonds**.

**Psalm 138:7** (KJV) Though I walk in the **midst of trouble**, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the **wrath of mine enemies**, and thy right hand **shall save me**

**Psalm 143:12** (KJV) And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I am thy servant.

**Proverbs 16:7** (KJV) When a man's **ways please the LORD**, he maketh even his enemies to be at **peace with him**.

**Proverbs 24:17** (KJV) Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:

**Isaiah 54:17** (KJV) No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the **servants of the LORD**, and their **righteousness is of me, saith the LORD**.

**Matthew 5:43-45** (KJV) Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and **hate thine enemy**. But I say unto you, **Love your enemies**, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and **persecute you**;

45 That ye may be the **children of your Father which is in heaven**: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

**Luke 1:74-75** (KJV) That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our **enemies might serve him** without fear, In holiness and righteousness before him, all the **days of our life**.

**Luke 6:27-28** (KJV) But I say unto you which hear, **Love your enemies**, do good to them which hate you, **Bless them that curse you**, and pray for them which despitefully use you.

**Romans 5:10** (KJV) For if, when we were enemies, we were **reconciled to God by the death of his Son**, much more, being reconciled, we shall **be saved by his life**.

**Romans 12:14** (KJV) Bless them which **persecute you: bless, and curse not**.

**Romans 12:19-20** (KJV) **Dearly beloved**, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, **Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord**. Therefore if thine **enemy hunger**, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so **doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head**.

**1 Thessalonians 5:15** (KJV) See that none render **evil for evil unto any man**; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and **to all men**.

**1 Peter 3:9** (KJV) **Not rendering evil for evil**, or railing for railing: but **contrariwise blessing**; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye **should inherit a blessing**.

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**3 John 1:11** (KJV) Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that **doeth good is of God:** but he that **doeth evil hath not seen God.**

**Romans 5:10** (KJV) - For if, **when we were enemies,** we were **reconciled** to God **by the death of his Son,** much more, being reconciled, **we shall be saved by his life.**

### Serving the Impossible: Part 3

I learned an invaluable lesson that day.

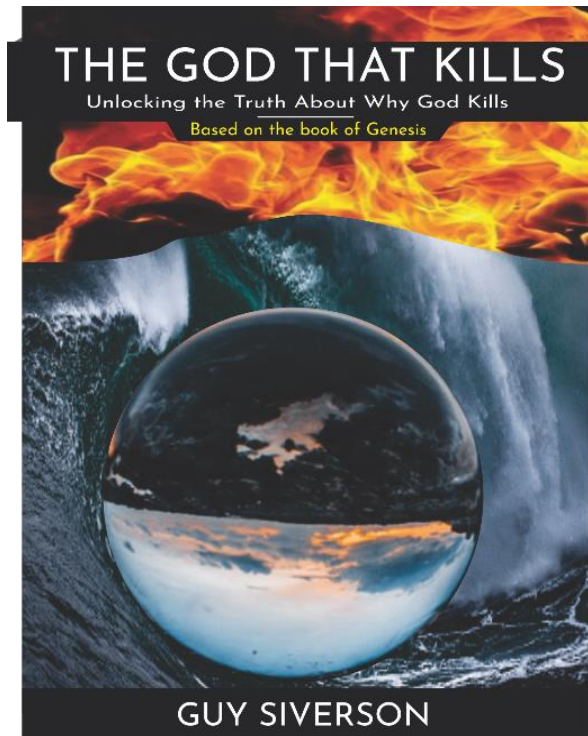
Most everyone in the office and that would include me, considered him an enemy. As a result, this isolated and confined him into his own world which did not help.

When he showed up at work that day, I simply treated him as both an Associate and friend. The result was a de-escalation of his outburst and in the long-term a more peaceable atmosphere between the both of us.

We were never to be the best of buds, but we could communicate while everyone else began to hibernate within their perspective cubicles. How often an enemy be diffused if only we would treat them with love and kindness that we ourselves receive from the Father and Son of unconditional agape love.



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