

## Psalm 90(91):11

Last week I was an online attendee at a three-day conference, and in one of the sessions Psalm 90(91):11 was mentioned with some frequency.

Also in the past month I picked up a suggestion from Roma Waterman.

It goes like this:

With a verse or two from scripture, look up three different translations of that verse, and then look at the original meaning through a website that does Hebrew and Greek transliteration. Also notice any other scripture passages that come to mind as you do this. Then write a letter or email to yourself from God, based on what you found in that scripture.

This is what happened with Psalm 90(91):11

For the first translation I wanted to hear how we pray it liturgically. It turns out that the Church prays this Psalm every Sunday night, and every night of a Solemnity.

*For you has He commanded His angels  
to keep you in all your ways.*

For the second translation I wanted to hear from the Jerusalem Bible.

*He will put you in His angel's charge  
to guard you wherever you go.*

For the third translation I went to the New American Study Bible.

*For He commands His angels with regard to you  
to guard you wherever you go.*

My 'go to' website for Hebrew and Greek transliteration has been biblehub.com.

*For*  
*He will command/ lay charge upon/ order/ give charge to*  
*His angels* messengers from God, an angel  
*concerning you* 2<sup>nd</sup> person feminine singular  
*to guard you* 2<sup>nd</sup> person masculine singular  
to hedge about/ guard/ protect/ attend to  
*in all* the whole/ all/ any/ every  
*your ways* road/ course of life/ mode of action

At this point my reaction is, yes, I know this, but I'm not getting it. So I went back to the context within the conference, and that's where the 'aha' moment happened.

The context of the talk was that wherever we thought God was absent, wasn't in control, wasn't powerful to help, HE WAS THERE, taking care of us HIS WAY.

Here is the message that I thought God was trying to get through to me:

Yes, My dedication to you is that detailed.

When My Word says ALL it means ALL.

All the times you felt afraid – you were protected.

All the times you felt alone – you were guarded.

All the times of pain and shame – you were not abandoned.

All those times of heartache and despair – you were still hedged with My love.

All the times of boredom and grinding duty – had a purpose in My good for you.

All those times of anxiety about the future, and every impasse you came to

- My grace solved them and you don't even consider them anymore.

All those times of feeling alien and unwanted – were very, very far from My truth and My love.

You can safely place your trust in Me and be at peace.