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The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.

Ps. 3:3 But You, LORD, are a shield around me, my glory, the One Who lifts my head high. I call out to the LORD, and He answers me from His holy mountain. (NIV)

I love how David makes a strong proclamation here, saying that the LORD is a shield around him. I grew up during the time of the original 'Star Wars' movies. One of the things that were essential to protect the 'Enterprise' from attacks of the Empire was its deflector shield. If the shield went down, there was no hope against the attacking enemy. In the same way, we have no hope without the shield of our Mighty God. He can and will protect us from the arrows of the evil one.

Secondly, David realizes that the LORD is the One Who lifts up my head high. Now this is not a statement of pride, but instead it is a realization of the circumstances that David was in that caused him to look up to the LORD. He knew that without the protection and help from the LORD, he had no hope against the enemies he was facing. He would later write in **Ps. 121:1-4** ***I lift up my eyes to the mountains-where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip - He Who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, He Who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. (NIV)***

Not only did David acknowledge that the LORD was his shield and not only did he look up, but he also 'called out' to the only One Who could rescue and protect him. And because of the LORD's faithfulness, He answered David. There is nothing sweeter than to hear the answer from the One Who knows all the answers. If you are hurting, afraid, worried or in doubt, call upon the LORD today. He has all the answers because He is the answer.

Dear LORD, thank You for answering our prayers. You are faithful God and You love Your children. You hear us when we call upon You. Thank You LORD. In Jesus Name, Amen