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**The Lord wants you to live in His light.**

***Ps. 127:3-5 Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from Him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court. (NIV)***

As we saw yesterday, this psalm is attributed to King Solomon. He gives an important statement here for us all; the incredible importance of children. The Hebrew term for *heritage* is **nachalat** which means *an inheritance, a gift or a treasure of great value.*

It seems in our present world, that children have somehow lost their value in the eyes of many. Seemingly, they have become a burden instead of a treasure. They are treated as though they are a hardship, a strain; that they are in the way or something extra we have to deal with. What a dreadful perspective that our society has embraced. So much so that it is legal in some states to abort or kill the child even after birth. This is not a political statement. This is a spiritual statement. When we see children, born or not yet born, as a burden or a 'choice,' we have lost our spiritual compass. We don't see things from our LORD's perspective. Every child is precious and loved by Him. Listen to what **Ps. 139:13-14** states: ***For You created my inmost being; You knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful; I know that full well. (NIV)***

I know many people who have faced this decision and I pray for the wisdom and love of the LORD to fall upon His people. Every person deserves to be loved. We must love because He loved us. Let's not allow the preciousness of life to be lost in the selfishness of mankind.

**Dear LORD, help us to treasure what You treasure and love what You love. In Jesus Name, Amen**