



I am always  
**PROTECTED**  
in Christ (Part II)

# INTRODUCTION - PROTECTION

- We are talking about **PHYSICAL** and **SPIRITUAL** Protection.
- Protection from accidents and harm on us physically as well as protection from the schemes of the evil one.
- These schemes also direct the accidents to harm us.

## 2 Qualifications :-

1. Martyrdom
2. What happens to other people

We do not know all things – 1 Cor 13:12

Nothing Happens by Chance!

Everything happens according to

Laws and Principles of Life

# PRINCIPLES OF PROTECTION

**Experiences alone  
can never be criteria for truth**

**Principles and Truths  
must come only from God's Word**

1. The Basis of our Protection is to
  - (A) **ABIDE** with God
  - (B) be under the **BLOOD OF CHRIST**
2. The devil **CANNOT** harm / touch me
3. Know the **SCHEMES** of the evil one
4. Know that God **CANNOT** intervene or help me until I **PRAY**. (Protection is not automatic)

## Principles of Protection :-

5. Know that if I do not pray, everything reverts / defaults to the NATURAL LAWS and PRINCIPLES OF LIFE

# Natural Laws and Principles of Life

Living in this fallen world,  
there is already

**A NEGATIVE FORCE**

coming against man.

# Negative Force in this fallen world

**Romans 8:2**

The Law of Sin and Death



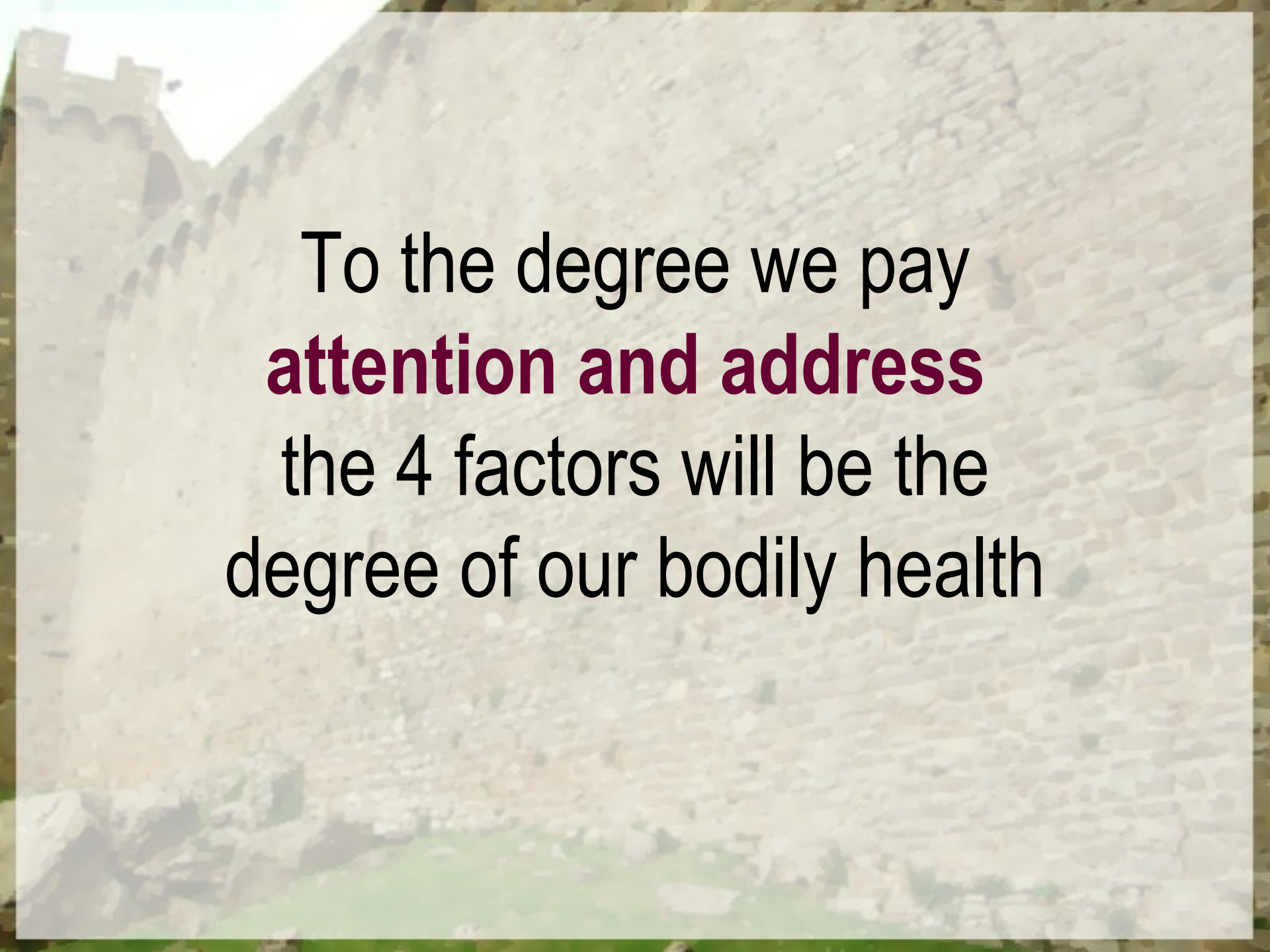
# The Law of Sin and Death

(a) Our physical bodies are CORRUPT and MORTAL

Therefore, the weakest part (**organ or tissue**) of our physical bodies will break down at some stage of this corruption – aging process.

# 4 Basic Factors that Affect Bodily Health

1. Our Basic Constitution
2. Our Diet - Nutrition
3. Our Rest - Sleep and Peace vs  
Stress, Anxieties and Fears
4. Our Exercise



To the degree we pay  
**attention and address**  
the 4 factors will be the  
degree of our bodily health

# The Law of Sin and Death

(b) The earth is also subject to

**CORRUPTION, DECAY and RUST**

(Romans 8:19 – 22)

This is the reason for natural calamities :-

Earthquakes	Typhoons	Tsunamis
Tornadoes	Volcanic Eruptions	Floods

All our machines and appliances  
are also subject to breakdowns.

Hence, the need for proper maintenance,  
up-keep and proper use.

Parts will breakdown and need to be replaced.

Understand these natural dynamics.

# The Law of Sin and Death

(c) ACCIDENTS, caused by human error and carelessness will take its course according to natural laws of gravity / momentum, etc.

- Automobile Accidents
- Industrial Accidents – Explosions
- Home Accidents – Cooking Stove, Boiling Water, Sharp Edges, Slippery Floors, etc.

# The Law of Sin and Death

(d) The **CORRUPTION** of sin in man

This results in selfishness, relational conflicts and wicked deeds committed against fellow man at :-

- (i) the individual personal level
- (ii) family, community corporate level
- (iii) ethnic strife – racial level
- (iv) wars among nations

## John 16:33

These things I have spoken to you,  
that in Me you may have peace.

**In the world you will have tribulation;**

but be of good cheer,  
I have overcome the world.”

Trials – Troubles – Tribulations

Affect **Everybody**

**Believers and Unbelievers**



# The Law of Sin and Death

(e) Know that the evil one CANNOT intervene in the natural unless there is a GROUND

This is the same principle as the Lord cannot help – protect us unless we call on Him in prayer

# The Law of Sin and Death

(e) Know that the evil one **CANNOT** intervene in the natural unless there is a **GROUND**

This cuts both ways :-

There must be a **doorway, ground,** **foothold** for the spirit world to enter the natural.

# The Law of Sin and Death

(e) Know that the evil one CANNOT intervene in the natural unless there is a GROUND

In the absence of spiritual intervention, everything reverts / defaults to the Natural Laws and Principles of Life

# Principles of Protection :-

5. Know that if I do not pray, everything reverts / defaults to the NATURAL LAWS and PRINCIPLES OF LIFE.
6. Know and Understand how the Lord DISCIPLINES.

## Hebrews 12:4 - 6

<sup>4</sup>You have not yet resisted to bloodshed,  
**striving against sin.**

<sup>5</sup>**And** you have forgotten the exhortation  
which speaks to you as to sons: “My son,  
do not despise **the chastening of the LORD,**  
nor be discouraged when you are **rebuked by Him;**  
<sup>6</sup>for whom the LORD loves He **chastens,**  
and **scourges** every son whom He receives.”

## Hebrews 12:10 - 11

<sup>10</sup>For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may **be partakers of His Holiness.**

<sup>11</sup>Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the **peaceable fruit of righteousness** to those who have been trained by it.

## 6. Know and Understand how the Lord **DISCIPLINES**.

Context : Purpose - Run Our Race

Deal with Personal Baggage (v1) and  
Our Sin Nature (v1 and v4)

Goal : Be Conformed to Christ  
Be Perfected in Faith

## 6. Know and Understand how the Lord **DISCIPLINES**.

- o Understand that God never directly send any :-
  - Sickness or Diseases
  - Accidents or Tornadoes
  - Death or Destructionto Discipline and Instruct us.



# How does He chasten / train His Children?

with  
His Word



## 2 Timothy 3:16 - 17

<sup>16</sup>Every Scripture is God-breathed  
(given by His inspiration) and profitable  
for instruction, for reproof and conviction of sin,  
for correction of error and discipline in  
obedience, [and] for training in righteousness  
(in holy living, in conformity to God's will in thought,  
purpose, and action), <sup>17</sup>So that the man of God  
may be complete and proficient, well fitted and  
thoroughly equipped for every good work.

# How does He chasten / train us?

Example :

## **2 Corinthians 7 : Situation Needed Correction**

God did not unleash – His bad dog to bite them  
or send an earthquake to shake them.

Paul wrote letter of reproof that hurt so badly and  
cut deeply leading to repentance.

# How does He chasten / train us?

Our Loving Father-God will chasten us **NOT** with fleshly tools.

He will use the Spirit-Power in His Word to chasten unbelief and purify our spirit in a way we come out strong, not weak and condemned!

Allow Him to trim the flesh and the lusts that lead us astray by His Word – the Sword of the Spirit.

# About Suffering-We should only suffer:

1. When persecuted for Our Faith

**Philippians 1:29**

Paul was imprisoned - finally martyrdom

2. In Our Journey in Brokenness

When persecuted for doing good,  
living righteous lives (**1 Peter 3:8 – 17**)

**1 Peter 4:1 – 6; 12 – 19**

Not for our own sins and wrongdoings.

## Principles of Protection :-

5. Know that if I do not pray, everything reverts / defaults to the NATURAL LAWS and PRINCIPLES OF LIFE.
6. Know and Understand how the Lord DISCIPLINES us.
7. Know that even then, the GRACE of God is SUFFICIENT for those who abide in Him, love Him and are called to His Purpose.

## Romans 8:28

And we know that God works all things together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

## Genesis 50:20

But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

## Isaiah 43:2

When you pass through the waters,  
I will be with you; and through the rivers,  
they shall not overflow you.

When you walk through the fire,  
you shall not be burned,  
nor shall the flame scorch you.



## Principles of Protection :-

7. Know that even then, the GRACE of God is SUFFICIENT for those who abide in Him, love Him and are called to His Purpose.
8. We must always stay VIGILANT physically and spiritually.  
We must live our life with WISDOM and CARE

## Ephesians 5:15 - 18

<sup>15</sup>See then that you walk circumspectly,  
not as fools but as wise,

<sup>16</sup>redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

<sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be unwise,  
but understand what the will of the Lord is.

<sup>18</sup>And do not be drunk with wine,  
in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit

# 1. Be Vigilant, Wise and Live with Care

About **“SPIRITUAL ATTACKS”** on your body

When there is a step up in your spirituality and  
in your spiritual service and ministry

You feel an **“ATTACK”** in your body

Feverish		Ailments		Headaches	
Sudden Fear	Urinating Blood	Heart Palpitation	Lost Trend of Thoughts		

# 1. Be Vigilant, Wise and Live with Care

This is just **“OPPRESSION”**

**RESIST IT** and **IT WILL GO !**

**James 4:6 - 7**

<sup>6</sup>But He gives more grace.

Therefore He says: “God resists the proud,  
but gives grace to the humble.”

<sup>7</sup>Therefore submit to God.

Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

**1 Peter 1:6-7**

# 1. Be Vigilant, Wise and Live with Care

Spiritual Attack on **RELATIONSHIPS**

The evil one will be active to sow

Complaints

Offenses

Lies

Half Truths

Murmuring

Misunderstanding

Wrong Thoughts

Careless Words

Relational Conflicts

This will happen to those **BELIEVERS** who are **not Vigilant, not Alert, not Wise** and **not Careful**

# SUMMARY APPLICATION

- (I) DAILY PRAYER for the Lord's Protection
- a. appropriate the BLOOD OF CHRIST to cover yourself, loved ones and possessions.
  - b. draw a BLOOD-line along the path, route and journey that you take daily.

# SUMMARY APPLICATION

(II) MEDITATE and CONFESS  
the Word of God

## Joshua 1:8

Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

# SUMMARY APPLICATION

(III) Be VIGILANT always, living in WISDOM and CARE.

**1 Peter 5:8**

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.



# PROMISES OF PROTECTION

## Psalm 27:1

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the strength of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

# PROMISES OF PROTECTION

**1 John 4:4**

You are of God, little children,  
and have overcome them,  
because He who is in you is greater than  
he who is in the world.

# PROMISES OF PROTECTION

## Isaiah 59:19b

... when the enemy comes in like a flood,  
the Spirit of the LORD will lift up  
a standard against him.

# PROMISES OF PROTECTION

## Isaiah 54:17

“No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue which rises against you in judgment you shall condemn.

This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is from Me,” says the LORD.

# **PROMISES OF PROTECTION**

## **Isaiah 52:12**

For you shall not go out with haste,  
nor go by flight; for the LORD will go  
before you, and the God of Israel  
will be your rear guard.

# PROMISES OF PROTECTION

## **Revelation 12:11**

And they overcame him  
by the Blood of the Lamb and  
by the word of their testimony,  
and they did not love their lives  
to the death.