Psalm 23:5

Isaiah 54:17

2 Timothy 2:15



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# Tested People in Tough Times! Psalms 27:1-5

<u>Introduction</u>: It goes without saying that the past year has been very trying and tough times! We've experienced an interruption to what used to be a 'normal' way of life and yes, we have experienced lost, pain, and stress! Psalms 27:1-5 gives us the encouragement we need to go through tough times! Let's look at the promises of God in this passage of scripture.

### 1. God's Light Will Guide Us – vs 1 "The Lord is my light and salvation"

- This light is a proven confidence. Salvation means deliverance.
- Like many Psalms, King David wrote this from a season of trouble. Yet it is a song of confidence and salvation.
- God, Himself, brought light to David's life. Psalm 119:105

  John 1:5

### 2. God's Love will Grace Us - vs 2 "Even when the wicked..."

- God will safeguard our hearts.
- He protects us from our enemies.
- Now all protection is not elimination!
  - o He allows situations to come, but He will protect you so you can go through it!
  - o That's the love of His grace, and the grace of His love!

#### 3. God's Lessons will Grow Us – vs 3, 4 "In this will I be confident"

- Life's lessons from God will make you grow.
- Be a student, not a victim! Some people go through life as professional victims, always yearning, but never learning.
  - o A victim says, "why is this happening to me?"
  - o A student says, "what can I learn from this?"

## 4. God's Lordship will Guard Us - vs 5 "In the time of trouble, He will hide me"

- Notice God's presence David knew that there is a special blessing and protection.
- It wasn't a promise to prevent trouble, but to give security and blessings even in the midst of it.