

## Psalm 121:3

One example of God's comforting providence found in the Holy Bible:

In Psalm 125:3, and in Proverbs 21:16, the Hebrew word, 'nuwach', is identified by the Strongs Concordance number 05117, or, H5117:

Psalm 125:3:

*For the rod of the wicked <shall not rest [nuwach 05117]> upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.*

The phrase, 'shall not rest', is the King James translation for the Hebrew word, 'nuwach', identified by the number 05117.

As Psalm 125:3 above proclaims: in God's providence, the righteous cannot be comforted, rest, or, be lead by, the wicked. According to the context God is revealing, they shall 'remain' in Christ who is their 'rest'. This is because of what God declares in 2 Corinthians 5:17:

*2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.*

The Hebrew word, 'nuwach 05117', translated as, '*shall not rest*'; is also found in Proverbs 21:16, but is translated as, '*shall remain*'. According to the context God is revealing; the wicked who are not partakers of God's eternal life must 'remain' outside of His providence, where there is no rest in Christ:

Proverbs 21:16:

*¶ The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding <shall remain [nuwach 05117]> in the congregation of the dead.*

According to proverbs 21:16, those who show to wander out of the way of God's righteousness; it is because they belong, [rest; and are lead by], the congregation of the dead, which is contrary to how the righteous are comforted.

But how is there a 'righteous' and a 'wicked', when the scripture declares, there is none righteous, no not one (Psalm 14:1-3; Rom 3:10)?

There is a root to the Hebrew word, 'nuwach 05117', that is identified by the Strongs Concordance number, '05123', which is the Hebrew word 'nuwm', as seen in Psalm 121:3:

Psalm 121:3:

*He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth <thee will not slumber [nuwm 05123]>.*

The phrase, '*thee will not slumber*', is the King James translation for the Hebrew word, 'nuwm 05123'.

Again, in Psalm 125:3, the Lord declares:

*For the rod of the wicked <shall not rest [nuwach 05117]> upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.*

As the Lord spoke through holy men of old, (2 Peter 1:20-21), Psalm 121:3, below, proves what God is declaring in Psalm 125:3 above:

*Psalm 121:3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth <thee will not slumber [nuwm 05123]>.*

According to God's Providence in Christ's Righteousness, it is not mankind, [good or evil], who have control with-in themselves to overcome evil and to perform that which is good. The fact is, the world is God's proof, that, mankind left to themselves, will only desire to be wicked in everything they do. It is God alone through the Spirit of Christ, abiding in those He has chosen to keep; that their foot shall not be moved by the wicked – beginning with themselves – for there is none righteous – no not one (Romans 3:10). According to all of scripture; only God is good in Himself – therefore:

*Psalm 121:3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.*

God, in the Spirit of Christ, will not slumber on behalf of those He has chosen to keep, as ordained before the world began (John 15:16; 2 Timothy 1:9):

*John 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.*

*2 Timothy 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,*

As the Lord reveals in John 15:5: those that are lead by the spirit of God are His chosen people who are of one body in Christ:

*John 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.*

Subsequently, God's elect people cannot help but Praise their Lord; for they are created a new, [born again], that they might perceive and understand His faithfulness abiding in them, and which shows them how their Lord will never leave nor forsake them.

They are not as many who presume upon God, according to their own understanding, as Proverbs 3:5-7 reveals:

*Proverbs 3:5-7 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. 7 ¶ Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.*

Rather, God's people closely examine, and are being lead by all of God's word that proves God's sovereignty and providence. This is because they have been re-created, [regenerated], to trust in their Creators word only. Therefore, while they remain on this earth, their prayers and cries never cease:

*1 Kings 8:57 The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us:*