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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

**Psalm 35:27** *May those who delight in my vindication shout for joy and gladness; may they always say, "The LORD be exalted, Who delights in the well-being of His servant. (NIV)*

To put this verse in context, let us be reminded of **verses 1-3** from David: ***Contend, LORD, with those who contend with me; fight against those who fight against me. Take up shield and armor; arise and come to my aid. Brandish spear and javelin against those who pursue me. Say to me, "I Am your salvation."*** (NIV) And for the next few verses, we hear how the LORD is constantly watching over His servant David. Now why would the LORD care so much for this little shepherd boy who would be king? Why would He protect him and go to battle for him? It is certainly because of David's last statement in today's verse: "The LORD be exalted, Who delights in the well-being of His servant.

You see, the LORD is delighted to make sure that we are doing well. He loves to bless His children. If you have children, you will understand this. We love to protect, watch over and bless our children with all that we have. They are so precious to us that we wouldn't think of not going to battle for them or providing for their needs. It is in His provisions and protections that the LORD is faithfully watching over David's life and He desires to do the same for all of His children.

And David wanted all of those, who saw how the LORD had watched over David, to know this same LORD. David states: ***may they always say, "The LORD be exalted, Who delights in the well-being of His servant."*** They need to know that we haven't been blessed because of our own goodness, but because the LORD is good. He is always good. "God is good all the time, and all the time God is good."

**Dear LORD, thank You for watching over us and fighting for us and protecting us and providing for us. We exalt You LORD because You desire for Your children to be blessed and taken care of. May we always give You the praise that You deserve. In Jesus Name, Amen**