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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

**Isa. 54:17** *“No weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and this is their vindication from Me,” declares the LORD. (NIV)*

I love the faithfulness of the LORD! Unlike us, God is faithful all the time. He is not fickle like we are. We change our minds so frequently, but He is steadfast and immovable. He is bound by His very nature and character. In a world where things can change so quickly, it is a comfort and blessing to have a rock to hold on to.

And God’s word is steadfast. What He says, He will do. This is critical, not only for our salvation, but also for our spiritual growth and daily walk. If He continually changed, we would have no solid foundation. We would be hopelessly lost. With that said, the LORD declares that nothing will be able to come against us that He will not vindicate us. In other words, He will fight for you, stand up for you, supply all of your needs, come to your aid and stand in our place. What an amazing word and declaration for the LORD Himself.

Knowing this should encourage us to walk by faith, not by sight. What seems one way from a worldly perspective, may be something totally different in the spiritual realm. A prime example is Joseph, who was sold into slavery in Egypt by his brothers who told their father that Joseph was dead. While there he was lied about, accused, thrown into prison and forgotten. And yet God used him to help Egypt through a horrible seven-year drought. He was elevated to second in charge of all of Egypt. And when his brothers showed up asking for provisions for their family, they didn’t recognize Joseph. In a moment of emotion, Joseph recognized them and met their needs. Listen to his words in **Gen. 50:20** *You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. (NIV)* Walking in the will of the LORD is the best place we can possibly be. He will fight for you, and He will vindicate you. Stand firm in the faith and do everything in love.

**Dear LORD, thank You for always being faithful. You are our faithful Father that we can always look to. There is no one else like you God. We praise You above all. In Jesus Name, Amen**