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MESSAGE NOTES

Perfect Protection

Isaiah 52:12

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Isaiah 52:12. But you will not leave in haste or go in flight; for the Lord will go before you, the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

1. Protection for the future

When we choose to follow Jesus, He promises to go ahead of us into the future. He goes before us leading and protecting from the front. Which means we will never come to a dead end in life because Jesus is always in front making a way for us. No matter how hard life gets there will always be a path forward. So we never lose hope, we never despair. When you can see God ahead of you and you fix your eyes on Him going into the future you have no reason to fear.

2. Protection from the past

God also protects us from behind, He won't allow anything from your past to harm you. This includes all of our own failures and mistakes as well. God's not holding anything against you going into the future because Jesus already paid for it all on the cross. Nothing that's ever happened to you in the past could ever spoil God's perfect plan for you. And nothing you or anyone in your family or ancestors have ever done could ever spoil God's perfect plan for you. Jesus paid the price for it all and God is only ever working it all for your good.

3. Protection in the present

Because God goes before us and He guards behind us we can have peace in the present. That's why His protection is perfect, because it goes before us, it guards behind us and it gives us peace in the present. He's in complete control over it all and He's promised to be with us through it all. Through knowing and believing the promises of God we can be at complete peace in the midst of any circumstances. God has promised to either provide a way out of your trouble or to provide exceptional grace and strength to endure it. So we don't need to worry. No matter what we're going through in life we can maintain a heart of peace and stability in the present.