

The God Who Protects

Acts 23

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1. God protects us from [past deeds](#). *Acts 23:1*

Is. 54:17; John 3:18; Rom. 4:7–8, 5:1–2, 8:1–2

2. God protects us from [psychological discouragement](#). *Acts 23:2–11*

Psalm 43:5, 119:28; Is. 40:29–31; Eph. 3:16

3. God protects us from [physical danger](#). *Acts 23:12–35*

Psalm 91:1–16



Created in the Image of God

Genesis 1:27
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1. We are [humans](#), not [animals](#). *Gen. 1:27*
 - A. We are not the result of [billions](#) of years of random mutation.
 - B. We did not [evolve](#) from a lower form of life.
 - C. We were [created](#) by God for His glory.
Psalm 139:14; Is. 43:7; Rev. 4:11

2. We are [worshippers](#), not [atheists](#). *Gen. 1:27*
Gen. 5:1–3; Gen. 9:6; James 3:8–10
 - A. Man is the [pinnacle](#) of God's creative activity.
 - B. Man has the [capacity](#) to know and worship God.
 - C. Man has the [ability](#) to exercise free will.

3. We are [heterosexuals](#), not [homosexuals](#). *Gen. 1:27*
 - A. God creates [men](#) to be men and [women](#) to be women.
Gen. 2:21–25
 - B. All people are created as [heterosexuals](#), not homosexuals.
Gen. 5:2
 - C. Homosexuality is [chosen](#) behavior and not innate or genetic.
 - D. Biblical marriage is exclusively [heterosexual](#) and monogamous.
Mal. 2:15

