

Psalm 11 (A Psalm of David.)

¹ I have accepted Jesus Christ the Messiah₁ as my personal Savior from sin and have placed my confidence in Him for peace, protection, and provision. How then could I as a born again believer say,

“David, run for your life to the mountains, and hide there from your enemies’ attacks. Do it right away, ² because they have loaded their weapons, removed the safeties, and taken aim waiting for any opportunity to shoot down those who from the heart do what is right in the sight of the Lord ^{<upright>}. It doesn’t make sense to merely sit here and trust the Lord to save you. Running away is the only safe way because they are sneaky. Be extremely careful though because they do their dirty work in the darkness hoping not to be seen by their prey.”

³ Godly men realize that this is a foolish thing to say, because if the foundations of love, hope, and trust in the Lord are eroded or completely destroyed, there is nowhere else a righteous man can turn to find real safety and security. ⁴ Thank God we can trust Christ because He is alive and resident in the midst of His church. He is also seated on His throne in heaven at the right hand of the Father. From there He sees and evaluates all of the motives and actions of every man and woman of all ages. ⁵ He has already put their deeds and motives to the test, and here is how He has responded: He hates the one who loves to do evil, and because that man is committed to doing violent and evil things, the Lord will cause lots of serious hurts and heartaches to come back upon him as a result of his sin. In the end, that man will be cast into hell. ⁷ The Lord has to respond to sin in this manner because He is good, just, and lawful ^{<righteous>} in every way, and He loves those who do good, just, and lawful deeds ^{<righteousness>}. In fact, He loves the very thought of people living in a good, just, and lawful manner like Him. As a result, those who have been born again and do what is right in the sight of the Lord ^{<upright>} will be allowed to enter heaven where they will see the welcome face of God the Father Himself. Oh, what joy that will be.

₁ In John 14:6 Christ said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No man comes to the Father but by me.” Therefore, the phrase “Jesus Christ, the Messiah” has been used for “Lord.”