Scripture Psalm 27 (NLT)

A psalm of David.

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation so why should I be afraid? The Lord is my fortress, protecting me from danger, so why should I tremble?
- 2 When evil people come to devour me, when my enemies and foes attack me, they will stumble and fall.

- 3 Though a mighty army surrounds me, my heart will not be afraid.
 Even if I am attacked,
 I will remain confident.
- The one thing I ask of the Lord—
 the thing I seek most—
 is to live in the house of the Lord all the days
 of my life, delighting in the Lord's
 perfection and meditating in his Temple.
- 5 For he will conceal me there when troubles come; he will hide me in his sanctuary. He will place me out of reach on a high rock.

- 6 Then I will hold my head high above my enemies who surround me. At his sanctuary I will offer sacrifices with shouts of joy, singing and praising the Lord with music.
- 7 Hear me as I pray, O Lord. Be merciful and answer me!
- My heart has heard you say, "Come and talk with me." And my heart responds, "Lord, I am coming."

- Do not turn your back on me. Do not reject your servant in anger. You have always been my helper. Don't leave me now; don't abandon me, O God of my salvation!
- 10 Even if my father and mother abandon me, the Lord will hold me close.
- 11 Teach me how to live, O Lord.

 Lead me along the right path,
 for my enemies are waiting for me.

- Do not let me fall into their hands.

 For they accuse me of things I've never done; with every breath they threaten me with violence.
- Yet I am confident I will see the Lord's goodness while I am here in the land of the living.
- 14 Wait patiently for the Lord.

 Be brave and courageous.

 Yes, wait patiently for the Lord.