



## The Shield

October 2024

### Praying for the Canadian Military Community



**Preamble:** Each month, we remember the following in our prayers: Our nation, Our political leaders, our military leaders, our chaplains, our serving members, our deployed members, our injured members, our retired members, our military families, our members who have found themselves homeless, agencies that provide support to the military and their families, our leadership and mission of the Military Christian Fellowship of Canada, various MCFs across the world, our brothers and sisters in other Armed forces, and the victims of aggression and war.

Below are 31 scripture verses, one for each day of October. Will you join with others in our community and use the daily verse as the inspiration for prayer for our military family? READ the verse a couple of times slowly, meditate on the words and use them as a starting point for prayer

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1. **Romans 10:9-10** – “If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.”
2. **Isaiah 41:10** - “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”
3. **Peter 5:7** - “Cast all your anxiety on him because He cares for you.”
4. **John 14:27** - “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”
5. **Psalms 28:7** - “The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and He helps me.”
6. **Psalms 56:3-4** - “When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise—in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?”
7. **Joshua 1:9** - “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”
8. **Psalms 116:5-6** - “The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion. The Lord protects the unwary; when I was brought low, He saved me.”
9. **John 16:33** - “These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”

10. **Ephesians 6:13** - "Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm."
11. **Romans 5:1** - "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."
12. **Romans 8:38-39** - "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."
13. **Psalms 33:20-22** - "We put our hope in the Lord. He is our help and our shield. In Him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in His holy name. Let Your unfailing love surround us, Lord, for our hope is in You alone."
14. **Philippians 4:12-13** - "I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength."
15. **2 Samuel 22:2-4** - "The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety. He is my refuge, my savior, the One who saves me from violence. I called on the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and He saved me from my enemies."
16. **Deuteronomy 31:6** - "So be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid and do not panic before them. For the Lord your God will personally go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor abandon you."
17. **2 Corinthians 9:8** - "And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."
18. **Isaiah 65:24** - "It will also come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear."
19. **Psalms 139:9-10** - "If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast."
20. **Psalms 91:14** - "'Because he loves me,' says the Lord, 'I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.'"
21. **1 Peter 5:8-9** - "Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings."
22. **2 Timothy 1:7** - "For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline."
23. **Psalms 4:8** - "In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety."

24. **Psalm 73:23-28** - “Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory. Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. Those who are far from you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful to you. But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge; I will tell of all your deeds.”
25. **Isaiah 40: 29-31** - “He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.”
26. **1 Thessalonians 5:24** - “The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.”
27. **Lamentations 3:21-25** - “Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, “The Lord is my portion; therefore, I will wait for him. The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him.”
28. **Job 11:18** – “You would be secure, because there is hope; yes, you would dig around you, and take your rest in safety.”
29. **Psalm 27:12** – “The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”
30. **Psalm 23** – ‘The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You *are* with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.”
31. **Mark 5: 36** – “..... “Don’t be afraid; just believe.”

