## **SERMON SUMMARY**

<b>Date:</b> March 4, 2007	11:00 am Worship Service
<b>Preacher:</b> Rev. Donald Lawrence	<b>Reference:</b> Psalm 27:1- 14
<b>Topic:</b> Serving God On This MountainIn spite of Our Foes - Attacks	

Life is full of trouble "Man that is born of a woman is but a few days and is full of

trouble" (Job 14:1). All kinds of attacks, foes and enemies lurk seeking to destroy and devour. How are we to serve God in the face of foes and attacks on every side, even those that are present on the same mountain we operate from?

Psalm 27 is one of the more popular Psalms. It is employed generally to assure the heart in the face of great challenges and opposition. The most notable factor in this Psalm is the confidence of the Psalmist in God in view of the threats of his enemies. This is a confidence nurtured by a sense of who God is, steady worship and steadfast waiting upon God.



Verses 1-3 speak of the Confidence of the Psalmist in view of trouble.

- 1. He will not fear his foes...
  - ❖ For God is his guide & deliverer
  - ❖ For God is his shelter & shield
- 2-3. He will not fear his foes no matter the size, shape or form of their attacks
  - For their attacks will be foiled
  - ❖ For his assurance will be fixed

This is a reminder that there is no match for God and such a reminder ought to spur us on to give glory to God the Deliverer. In God we can stand and face our foes.

The Concentration of the Psalmist in view of trouble is seen in verses 4-6, as demonstrated by His crowning request (4), His crowning reason (5) and His crowning release (6). There is no minimizing God and we ought to give God His due. In God we can be sheltered from our foes.

Verses 7-14 speak of The Cry of the Psalmist in view of trouble. This is a call to see that there is no moment like God's moment. We ought to give way to God's day because in God we can see victory over our foes.

We can serve God on this mountain in spite of our foes, knowing that He has no equal, enfolds the worshipper and engages the enemy in His own time. Let us draw near to God that He may strengthen our hearts and steady our minds thereby conquer the destabilizing forces in our lives.