

The Right Hand

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Scripture Texts

Isaiah 41:10, 13 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁰ Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

¹³ For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

DEFINITION OF RIGHT HAND

1. Strength - to be strong, alert, courageous, brave, stout, bold, solid, hard
2. Help - succour, support
3. Uphold - to take hold of each other, to grasp, hold, support, attain, lay hold of, hold fast
4. Righteousness - righteousness (as ethically right), justice, rightness, righteousness
5. The right hand is the seat of ascendancy; that is, being moved to a place.

PS 24:3-4

³ Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?

⁴ He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

PS 99:9

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his **holy hill**; for the Lord our God is **holy**.

EX 15:6

Thy **right hand**, O Lord, is become glorious in power: thy **right hand**, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

Heb 1:2-3

² Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

³ Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:

Heb 1:13

But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my **right hand**, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?

Heb 8:1-2

8 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

² A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

Heb 10:2

But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the **right hand** of God;

1 Pet 3:22

Who is gone into heaven, and is on the **right hand** of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

Eph 2:5-7

⁵ Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

⁶ And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

⁷ That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

God-initiated conversation between Himself and us:

STATEMENT: Fear not!

WHY: For I am with you

STATEMENT: Be *not* dismayed!

WHY: For I am your God

God says: *I will strengthen you! I will help you! Yes, I will uphold you with the right hand of my righteousness! For I the Lord your God will hold your right hand saying to you, fear not! I will help you!*

God extends his right hand of judgement, justice, righteousness to *our* right hand; not the left. He grasps our right hand. The right hand is clear indication of ascendancy. He does not grasp our left hand with his right as then we would be walking side-by-side. No, he holds our right hand with His right hand. What then, is He doing? What are we doing? ***WE ARE LOOKING AT EACH OTHER FACE-TO-FACE!*** This occurs because we listen to and believe what He says and act upon what He says. He upholds us with His right hand and holds our right hand because we trust Him to do what He says and we trust because we believe. He holds our hand because we do those things which are pleasing in His sight. God beckons us by holding out His right hand; we reach out to Him with our right hand.