"He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His Truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee." Psalm 91:4-7 KJV

The best illustration of this text is the hen covering her chicks under her wings when danger threatens. I have seen a crouching hen rise up and half a dozen chicks run



out. Another way to think of it is, "Air superiority." It is a term often used in fighter pilot training. It implies dominance in the sky by one force over another. Air superiority wins battles and destroys enemies. The United States has enjoyed air superiority nearly unchallenged for decades. The citizens of our nation trust in the readiness of our Air Force squadrons and Air Wings to protect and defend our land against all threats, but these are limited to the earth's atmosphere. They cannot defend in space though there are efforts to use orbiting satellites to gather information and spy. God spreads His wings over the entire universe. There is no escape from His wrath or protection! Satan may be the Prince and power of the air, but God is the power of the ages! He dominates the infinite, from deepest space to the invisible framework of dust. His power is infinite! It neither wanes nor waxes. It simply is. He is the Almighty Omnipotent, the I AM. He exercises such delicate control that he can send a hurricane through a spider's web without disturbing a single gossamer strand. Evil men that scheme and plan to eliminate entire populations through genetic manipulation of deadly viruses have forgotten that God created the very microbes they employ. In the end, they will perish from the work of their own hands. God knows how to protect the righteous and He will not suffer their foot to be moved. From eternity past the predetermined counsel of God has set the boundaries of evil and it cannot pass them any more than the mighty ocean can stride over the narrow ribbon of sand with which God has surrounded it! The believer is invincibly protected "under His wings," and evil cannot come nigh unless permitted!

> Evil waxes and evil wanes, The pow'r of God its ebb contains, Its touch will ever be constrained, From those that trust in Jesus' name! ~CGP

Satan can infuse, infest, infect, and invade. He can threaten, tease, and terrify. He can bluster, bludgeon, and brag all he wants, but he can NEVER cross the boundaries of God's protection and power!

"The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the Day of Judgment to be punished: But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord. But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;" 2 Peter 2:9-12 KJV