

The Lord watches over you, and is your shade at your right hand

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Ps 121,5

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This verse before the Gospel introduces the reading of a beautiful Word of God, through which the Lord communicates his presence, his attention, his salvation and his protection.

This verse in particular reminds us that having **faith means believing that Jesus is always by our side to give us his comfort, to enlighten us, to lead us and he does not let us go far from his way and neither let us give up.**

But pay attention, the Lord is not saying that he will prevent us from bad situations, illnesses, difficulties, incomprehensions, unpleasant encounters with people who treat us bad or even oppress us.

He does not reassure us about it: he says that he is always by our side in those difficult experiences we are sometimes subjected to.

His presence is also important and necessary in our daily life, because we always walk towards a destination, often worrying about not being able to satisfy our right desires, needs and hopes.

The Lord watches over you, the Writing says: He will protect you and accompany you every day of your life.

So, let us walk on the way of life trusting in Jesus is by our side.