

God does not want believers to worry about what happens in the world. We don't need to be affected by whatever is causing unbelievers to be stressed and afraid, because we are the righteousness of God in Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:21) The Bible says, "In the way of righteousness is *life*, and in its pathway there is no *death*."

The patriarchs of the Old Testament did not suffer during the famines that occurred in their lifetimes. Abraham remained very rich in livestock, silver and gold. (Genesis 12:10, 13:1-2) Isaac reaped a hundredfold in the land he sowed. (Genesis 26:1, 12-14) Joseph, with his entire family, was richly provided for in Egypt. (Genesis 47:11-13, 27) They weren't just spared from hardship and suffering, but in fact prospered exceedingly!

So even if our country or the world enters a recession, we will not suffer. As long as we keep our eyes on Jesus, our righteousness, we will thrive! God protects us when the world is experiencing evil, because we are the righteousness of God in Christ. His Word declares that "in the way of righteousness is life, and in its pathway there is no death"!

Proverbs 12:28 "In the way of righteousness is life, and in its pathway there is no death."