

“OUR CDC!”

Psalm 103

1. **INTRODUCTION**

The Communicable Disease Center was founded July 1, 1946, in response to the malaria outbreak from spreading throughout America after World War II. Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, the CDC’s mission statement is to “work 24/7 to protect America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S.” The Communicable Disease Center changed its name to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in 1970. According to cdc.gov, “CDC increases the health security of our nation. As the nation’s health protection agency, CDC saves lives and protects people from health threats.” CDC’s motto is “CDC 24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People!”

Despite all its great work assisting us through the COVID-19 pandemic, CDC has limitations! Saving Lives, Protecting People was Jesus Christ’s mission statement more than 2,000 years ago! In fact, Luke 4:18-19 says, “The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon Me, Because He has anointed Me, To preach the gospel to *the* poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to *the* captives, And recovery of sight to *the* blind, *To* set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.” Today’s sermon thanks God for the CDC in America but reminds us as Believers we must remember never to forget **“OUR CDC!”**

1. **CHRIST DESTROYS CALAMITY!**
2. By His stripes, we are healed! **Isaiah 53:5**
3. We’ve got a great benefits plan! **vv. 3-4**
4. Our peace crushes satan! **Romans 16:20**

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1. **CHRIST DELIVERS CROWNS!**
2. Don’t remove your head gear! **v. 4**
3. Adorn God’s glory! **Proverbs 4:9**
4. Endurance earns us our crowns! **James 1:12**

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1. **CHRIST DELETES CONSEQUENCES!**
2. Mercy! Mercy! Mercy! **vv. 10-11 Psalm 100:5**
3. God has a Men in Black stick!  **v. 12**
4. We should have been consumed! **Lamentations 3:22-23**

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1. **CHRIST DIED CONVINCINGLY!**
2. We’re wasting time if Christ hasn’t risen! **1 Corinthians 15:12-17**
3. The Cross settled our debt!  **1 Peter 2:24**
4. Death died! **Isaiah 25:8**

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1. **CHRIST DEEDS COVENANTS!**

A. God is a generational God! **vv. 17-18**

B. We must think like God! **Proverbs 13:22**

C. God is a covenant keeper! **Genesis 17:7; Deuteronomy 8:18**

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1. **CELESTIALS DO COMMANDS!**
2. Angels perform God’s Word! **v. 20**
3. Say what God has said! **1 John 5:14-15**
4. God watches His Word! **Jeremiah 1:12**

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1. **CONCLUSION**

This Psalm reminds us of the many ways Jesus Christ embodies and succeeds in doing what the American CDC attempts. Praise God for using doctors, scientists, researchers, clinicians, engineers, chemists, and more! However, Jesus Christ is our CDC! Our help alone is in God through Christ Jesus! While it is good to be informed by the CDC in our country, remember the blessings and benefits that we have 24/7 access to in Psalm 103! Never forget how **Our CDC** (Jesus Christ) is “24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People!”

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