

In Front, Behind, Around, In

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us (Ephesians 3:20).

Last week my calendar had the following quote, *“The art of teaching consists in helping students feel that although you may stand in front of them, you are really behind them.”* This was aimed at helping teachers realize that students need to know that you are supporting them. I began to think about how my greatest support, and may I say my consistent support, has come from Jesus Christ.

I thought about how Christ is in front of me. He is my vision. He is my guide. Isaiah 58:11 states, *“The LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought ...”*

Christ is behind me. He is my support and my sustainer. Psalm 55:22 proclaims, *“Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and He shall sustain thee; He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.”*

Jesus is around me. He is my protection and my security. Psalm 61:3 declares, *“For thou has been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from my enemies.”*

All these directions talk to me about the provision of my wonderful Savior. They tell me of a relationship that only His child can have. This led me to think of another direction, Christ in me. When I accepted Christ as my Savior He cleansed me within. He gave me new life. Philippians 1:6 tells me that He began a good work in me and He will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

Praise God! *“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure (Philippians 2:13).*