# JUST STOP! GOD IS IN CONTROL!

Psalm 46

# WHO OR WHAT DO YOU TURN TO FIRST WHEN YOU ARE IN TROUBLE?

DO WE BELIEVE
THAT GOD IS IN
CONTROL?

### PSALM 46

For the director music. Of the Sons of Korah. According to Alamoth. / Sons of Korah: Commissioned by King Hezekiah.

Royal Psalm: How God works through the office of King.

- Hezekiah (2 Chronicles 32) \*\*Also see 2 Kings 18-19.
- Jehoshaphat (2 Chronicles 20)
- David (2 Samuel 8).



- □ Enemies of God: Assyrians. (Known for their cruelty). Skin People. Leave poles with heads on outside of cities they conquered. (We see also the different schemes (Enemy).
- □ Water and Wall: Shut off Water (Hezekiah was known for these underground tunnels that he built). Wall (Mellio-Northern wall). Not coincidentally-where the Temple was.
- □ 2 Chronicles 32:10-20- Sennacherib (king of Assyria) pushes the people to a point where they have to make a decision whether their God could be trusted or not. And this was a matter of life or death.

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#### **OUTLINE:**

God's Presence and Protection (Verses 1-3) God's Power (Verses 4-7). God's Peace and Providence (Verses 8-11).

#### **PSALM 46:1-3 GOD'S PRESENCE AND PROTECTION**

(1) GOD IS OUR REFUGE

AND STRENGTH, A VERY PRESENT HELP IN TROUBLE.

(2) THEREFORE WE WILL NOT FEAR, EVEN THOUGH THE EARTH

BE REMOVED AND THE MOUNTAINS BE CARRIED INTO THE MIDST

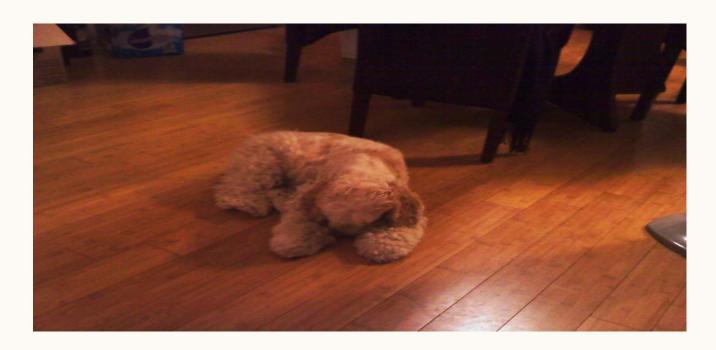
OF THE SEA. (3) THOUGH ITS WATERS ROAR AND BE TROUBLED.

THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS SHAKE WITH ITS SWELLING.

SELAH

SELAH- THE GREATNESS OF THOUGHT IN THIS PSALM WAS AND IS WORTHY OF PAUSE AND CAREFUL THOUGHT. (SPURGEON).

# A PASTOR'S DOGTHER PRAYING



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#### **PSALM 46:4-7 GOD'S POWER**

(4) THERE IS A RIVER WHOSE STREAMS SHALL MAKE GLAD THE CITY OF GOD, THE HOLY PLACE OF THE TABERNACLE MOST HIGH.
(5) GOD IS IN THE MIDST OF HER, SHE SHALL NOT BE MOVED, GOD WILL HELP HER JUST AT THE BREAK OF DAWN. (6) THE NATIONS RAGED, THE KINGDOMS WERE MOVED, HE UTTERED HIS VOICE, THE EARTH MELTED. (7) THE LORD OF HOSTS IS WITH US. THE GOD OF JACOB IS OUR REFUGE. SELAH.

## **GOD'S POWER**

**Lord of hosts (commander of the heavenly army!)** 

2 Chronicles 32:21: Then the Lord sent an angel who cut down every mighty man of valor, leader and captain of in the camp of the king of Assyria.

2 Kings 19:35- And it came to pass on a certain night that the "angel of the LORD went out and killed in the camp of the Assyrians one hundred and eighty-five thousand; and when people arose early in the morning, there were the corpses- all dead.

## **GOD'S POWER**

The God of Jacob is our refuge: (Refuge- High Tower- the North where the Assyrians were attacking from was their most vulnerable spot). Except the fact that God was their High Tower.

Jacob- A covenant keeping God of grace. (Remember the two questions I asked you at the beginning. It is now answering these questions with the perspective of God's presence, protection, power).

Commentator- described Jacob as "shabby" character. He was known as a "heel snatcher" tried to steal the blessing from his brother.

#### PSALM 46:8-11 GOD'S PEACE AND PROVIDENCE

(8) COME, BEHOLD THE WORKS OF THE LORD, , WHO HAS MADE DESOLATIONS IN THE EARTH. (9) HE MAKES WARS CEASE TO THE END OF THE EARTH; HE BREAKS THE BOW AND CUTS THE SPEAR IN TWO, HE BURNS THE CHARIOT IN THE FIRE. (10) BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD, I WILL BE EXALTED AMONG THAT NATIONS, I WILL BE EXALTED ON THE EARTH. (11) THE LORD OF HOSTS IS WITH US; THE GOD OF JACOB IS OUR REFUGE.

SELAH.

"IN THIS SETTING. 'BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM
GOD' IS NOT ADVICE FOR US TO LEAD A
CONTEMPLATIVE LIFE. IT MEANS RATHER "LAY
DOWN YOUR ARMS. SURRENDER AND
ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM THE ONE AND ONLY
VICTORIOUS GOD."
-BOICE

"AS YOU KNOW THE GLORY AND GREATNESS OF GOD. STOP YOUR MOUTH FROM ARGUING WITH HIM OR OPPOSING HIM. SIMPLY SURRENDER."
-AW TOZER

#### **GOD'S PEACE AND PROVIDENCE**

The last two times we have been asked to pause and consider (Selah) comforted by God as our refuge and he is a covenant keeping gracious God.

So powerful that he makes wars cease that the best weapon(s) that man can create at their particular point in history he snaps it like a toy. God's Presence and protection and God's Power that gives us peace.

Verse 10: Be still and know (YOU BETTER RECOGNIZE!)

IF THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM. HOW WISE ARE YOU?

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