

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

New Life Church
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Experiencing Hope Together In Psalms!

GOD ON OUR SIDE (Pause in His Presence)

Message 4 – Psalm 46:1-11, NKJV

God the Refuge of His People and Conqueror of the Nations

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. A Song for Alamoth.

46 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 though 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*
⁴ *There is* a river whose streams shall make glad
the city of God,
The holy *place* of the tabernacle of the Most High.

⁵ God *is* in the midst of her, she shall not be moved;
God shall 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*

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 the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!

¹¹ The Lord of hosts *is* with us;
The God of Jacob *is* our refuge. *Selah*

GOD IS MY REFUGE – vs 1-3, The Passion Version (TPT)

¹ God, you're such a safe and powerful place to find refuge! You're a proven help in time of trouble — *more than enough* and always available whenever I need you. ² So we will never fear even if every structure of support were to crumble away. We will not fear even when the earth quakes and shakes, moving mountains and casting them into the sea. ³ For the raging roar of stormy winds and crashing waves cannot erode our faith in you. *Pause in his presence*

❖ He is Personal – vs 1a

❖ He is Powerful – vs 1b

❖ He is Permanent – vs 2-3

THE HOLY SPIRIT IS MY RIVER – vs 4-7, TPT

⁴God has a constantly flowing river whose sparkling streams bring joy and delight to his people. His river flows right through the city of God Most High, into his holy dwelling places. ⁵God is in the midst of his city, secure and never shaken. At daybreak his help will be seen with the appearing of the dawn. ⁶When the nations are in uproar with their tottering kingdoms, God simply raises his voice and the earth begins to disintegrate before him. ⁷*Here he comes!* The Commander! The mighty Lord of Angel Armies is on our side. The God of Jacob fights for us! *Pause in his presence*

- ❖ God the Father is set before us as a Fountain of Living Water – Jeremiah 2:13, NIV
¹³ “My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

- ❖ God the Son is set before us as a Well of Living Water – John 4:13-14, NIV
¹³ Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

- ❖ God the Spirit is set before us as a River of Living Water – John 7:37-39, NIV
³⁷On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” ³⁹By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

JESUS IS MY RULER – vs 8-11, TPT

⁸⁻⁹Everyone look! Come and see the breathtaking wonders of our God. For he brings *both ruin and revival*. He’s the one who makes conflicts end throughout the earth, breaking and burning every weapon of war. ¹⁰Surrender your anxiety! Be silent and stop your striving and you will see that I am God. I am the God above all the nations, and I will be exalted throughout the whole earth. ¹¹Here he stands! The Commander! The mighty Lord of Angel Armies is on our side! The God of Jacob fights for us! *Pause in his presence*

- ❖ I can Behold – vs 8-9

- ❖ I can Believe – vs 10

- ❖ I can Bow – vs 11

NLC’S VERSE FOR 2021:

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. *Romans 15:13, NKJV*