

# Who Is Our Refuge and What Does He Do?

## Ps 46:4-7

Remember that the name ELOHIM has the root meaning of "to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_." The city was about to fall to Sennacherib, surrounded by 185k soldiers. Remember as well that ELOHIM is not One Who \_\_\_\_\_. As we ponder these two traits about Him, we should indeed \_\_\_\_\_ Him. When \_\_\_\_\_ is greater than \_\_\_\_\_, anxiety will not \_\_\_\_\_ us.

### I. Our Refuge Offers \_\_\_\_\_ 4

Water sources at the time of this Psalm were rare but essential for \_\_\_\_\_. When the Psalmist uses the word "river," it refers to a stream that flows, \_\_\_\_\_. Reading this verse, we are reminded of John 7 where Jesus states "whoever believes in me...out of his heart will flow \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ water. This is a stark contrast to verse 3 where the earth, its waters and even its mountains are trembling, in turmoil. This river is a picture of never ending, gentle, undisturbed provision of God, even His \_\_\_\_\_. Remembering the 185,000 soldiers ready to storm the gates, the people needed something assuring them. Acknowledging His provision, His power, His strength, ought to assure us, even if we are surrounded.

### II. Our Refuge and His \_\_\_\_\_

The Psalmist then declares why the people of God were secure then and the church is secure now: He is \_\_\_\_\_ Help is both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Since He is in

their midst, if the church is being assaulted, \_\_\_\_\_ is being assaulted. Since He is in the midst, the church, the people of God, the city of Jerusalem, shall not \_\_\_\_\_.

Something important to remember: God's presence among his people does not exempt us from trouble. It does, however, exempt us from \_\_\_\_\_ in trouble. He didn't exempt the bush from burning, but from being \_\_\_\_\_.

Even as the wicked, the kingdoms of the earth become enraged with anger and enmity against ELOHIM, against the people of God, all He simply has to do is offer a rumbling with His almighty voice of thunder. He shows His power and trouble vanishes like snow under a warm sun.

### III. Our Refuge and His \_\_\_\_\_

ELOHIM is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. He \_\_\_\_\_. Notice the usage of \_\_\_\_\_ here. The root of this word means \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

The God of Jacob is our \_\_\_\_\_. He is the One \_\_\_\_\_ above all. He is our refuge, our high place of defense. May I ask a question today? \_\_\_\_\_? Is your Redeemer \_\_\_\_\_?