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Moses’ song declares that God is our refuge, our only true security. How often we entrust our lives to other things – perhaps money, careers, a noble cause, or a lifelong dream. But our only true refuge is the eternal God...who always holds out His arms to catch us when the shaky supports that we trust collapse and fall. No storm can destroy us when we take refuge in Him! Those without God, however, must forever be cautious. One mistake may wipe them out! Living for God in this world may look like risky business. But it is the godless who are on shaky ground. Because God is our refuge, we will stand!

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