The Supremacy of God over Tumultuous Times
Psalm 46
January 17, 2021

<u>Three reasons why we will not fear</u>:

1. God is our refuge and strength (1-3)

2. God is with us as the LORD of hosts (4-7)

3. God has purposed to be exalted (8-11)

Next week: Mark 4:21-25

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Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?

2. Who wrote this psalm? What do we learn about this group of people in Numbers?

3. What titles are given to God in this psalm?

4. What is a refuge (verse 1)? What is a fortress (verse 7)? What does it mean that God is our refuge and our fortress?

5. Give some examples from the Bible of God bringing desolations on the earth (verse 8).

6. Will God make wars cease by negotiating peace or by conquering the nations? What part of this psalm gives the answer?

7. This psalm teaches God's people not to fear. What is the opposite of fear?

Going Deeper:
These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

1. How have you been responding to the distresses of last year and this year? Have you been responding more out of fear or trust? Explain.

2. Think about everything this psalm says about God. What struck you most about God as you were listening to the sermon? Why? What is the significance of this truth about God?

3. What is the difference between ignoring danger and trusting God?

4. There are several contrasts in this psalm. Which contrast stood out to you most? Why?

5. Verse 10 reveals God's purpose to be exalted among the nations. What does this mean? Does this stir up fear within you, or dispel your fear? Why?

6. What sin does this psalm expose in your life? How does this psalm assure you of God's grace?

7. What is the number one way you should apply this sermon this week? How can your brothers and sisters in this group help you to do so?