

Living Away from Home **Psalm 120**

Main Point:

This world is both foreign and hostile for the believer; therefore, live in it accordingly.

1. As a believer, you currently live away from home in a foreign land.

2. In fact, you live in enemy territory where you are always under attack.

3. Instead of panicking or retaliating, cry out to God and remember His judgment.

4. Instead of settling down or being silent, long for heaven and speak the gospel.

1 Peter 2:11 11 Beloved, I beg *you* as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, (NKJV)

Philippians 3:20 20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, (NKJV)

James Montgomery Boice “The song reminds us that if we are Christians, this world is not our real home.”

Genesis 16:12 12 He shall be a wild man; His hand *shall be* against every man, And every man’s hand against him. And he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.” (NKJV)

John 15:19 19 If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. (NKJV)

Allen Ross “The Israelites certainly had to live in the midst of antagonistic enemies all through their history: likewise, many faithful believers in the world today also find that they live among people who oppose them and hate their faith.”

Rhett Dodson “When the world isn’t lying to you or about you, you can be certain that Satan is.”

Rhett Dodson “Treachery filled his enemies, and misery filled him, so he filled his heart and mouth with prayer.”

Allan Harman “The expected punishment will be a fitting response, for it will match the offense ... [But] the act of judgment will be more deadly than the slanderer’s own words.”

Revelation 21:8 8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.” (NKJV)

Rhett Dodson “If we would only remember that we are sojourners! How much more lightly would we invest in the things of this world and how much more would we set our hearts on our heavenly home!”