

PRAYING PSALM 46

“The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge... (Psalm 46:11).

Psalms 46, 47, and 48 form a trilogy of praise regarding the future of Israel. Psalm 46 was Martin Luther's favorite psalm. He based his hymn “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” on it.

Psalm 46 sees the Great Tribulation with violent disturbances. It also refers to Armageddon and Christ's triumph. 1. CHRIST'S PROTECTION WHEN THE EARTH IS SHAKEN (1-3). God is our refuge, our strength and our help. He will be in control when earthquakes come and the mountains crumble into the sea. 2. CHRIST'S PRESENCE WHEN THE NATIONS RAGE (4-7). There will be millennial peace. The New Jerusalem will descend from Heaven. The Lord will reign over earth. 3. CHRIST'S PREEMINENCE WHEN HE RULES THE NATIONS (8-11). There will be peace during the Millennium that will continue into eternity. Wars will end. Christ will be honored by every nation throughout the world.

Many Christians worry about the future of earth. They avoid the study of prophecy, because it makes them uncomfortable. The teachings of the end times (the rapture, tribulation, second coming) are given for our peace not, not to worry us. If you are afraid of the future, familiarize yourself with this psalm. Affirm these truths and praise God for them until Christ's peace removes the fears.