
PSALMS



SONGS FOR EVERY SEASON



Today's Worship Service

PRAISE

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness. (Psalm 29:2)

Call To Worship
[“God is For Us”](#)

[Psalm 46:1-2a; 7](#)
Ferguson, Tealy, Robinson, Thompson
Kleyn, Farren, Reeves
Pastor Ryan Boyer

Welcome & Announcements
Gloss Family Commissioning

RENEWAL

As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103:12)

[“You Never Let Go”](#)

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Grace

[“O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer”](#)
[“The Solid Rock”](#)

Redman
Pastor Mike Matheson
Pastor Mike Matheson
Stiff
Bradbury, Mote

PROCLAMATION

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. (Psalm 25:4)

Reading of the Word

[Psalm 46](#)

Kari DeBerg

Reader: This is God's Word for us today.

All: Thanks be to God.

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. (Psalm 63:3)

[“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”](#)

Benediction

Hedge, Luther
Pastor Mike Matheson

Psalm 46

To the choirmaster. Of the Sons of Korah. According to Alamo. A Song.

- 1 God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
- 3 though hills waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah*
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
- 6 The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- 7 The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*
- 8 Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- 9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
- 10 “Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”
- 11 The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

Sermon Notes

Preacher: Pastor Mike Matheson

Sermon: A Song to Steady Your Soul

Scripture: [Psalm 46](#)

Date: June 28, 2020

Sermon Review Discussion Questions

These questions are for *after* the sermon and can be used for Life Group discussion, one-to-one discipleship, or personal reflection and application.

The Psalms play a unique role within Scripture. Each psalm reflects the heart and emotions of its author as a prayer to the LORD. And the LORD has graciously given us these words by his inspiration to know how we can bare our own hearts to him. The prayers of those who have gone before us now exist within our Bibles to teach us how to pray. This summer we will explore several psalms in an effort to expose you to the wide emotional range of the Psalms. Within this book lies various songs that will comfort you wherever life has you.

Discussion Questions

1. Most people either really love or really struggle with the Psalms. How are you enjoying the study? How has this study stretched you? What are some benefits we can experience by getting to know Psalms regardless of what we're experiencing in life?
2. How does God's promise of being our refuge and strength (vs. 1) get fully tested by the circumstances described in verses 2-3? What might keep you from experiencing God as your "present help" when facing trouble? How can we more fully trust this to be true?
3. How do those within the city of God (vss. 4-5, 7) experience God differently than those outside of his presence (vs. 6)? What are we to do when our present realities leave us feeling unsure and vulnerable? How can we remain unmoved regardless of hardship?
4. What commands are given in the final section of the psalm (vss. 8-11)? How skilled are you at beholding God's work? Do you ever find it challenging to be still and trust that God will be God? Why are these commands so hard to obey in the face of trouble?
5. Psalm 46 calls upon us to trust God despite chaos in the world, knowing that he will be a strong and present fortress for his people. How would this psalm sound to those who don't know God? How does this psalm remind us of our utter dependence on God?

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Aaron & Bethany Gloss

Serving with: *World Team*

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We are the Gloss family: Aaron, Bethany, Madelyn, Benjamin, Ellyssa, Caleb, and Jason. We would like to thank you for prayers over the years as we have been working towards our move to Cambodia.

We will be living in the city of Phnom Penh until we have learned the Khmer language for a year. We will then be moving to Takhmau on the southern end of Phnom Penh to begin learning language of our unreached people group from the locals. It is among this group that we will begin to develop relationships, and establish a church using discovery Bible studies to build a core of believers.



We would love to connect and share more details with you.

Find us on Realm: [Glosses Missionary Page](#).

Pray for the Gloss Family:

- As they learn the Khmer language.
- To obtain student visas for the children.
- Safety while traveling.
- Once moved, that they make relationships and connect.

Announcements

Welcome to Grace Church!

It's great to have you here today! If you're visiting with us for the first time, you can stop by the round information center on your way out. We've love to connect with you and help you settle in here at Grace. You can also scan this QR code to fill out the connect card, also located at graceinracine.com/connectcard to let us know you're here!



Friendly Reminders:

- Remember to maintain social distancing - keep at least six feet in between you and others. No huddles, hugs, or handshakes for now. After the service, you're welcome to visit 6 feet apart outside. Please do not stay in the building after service to talk.
- Remember, as you're seated in the sanctuary, there should always be at least two white dots in between you and the next seated person (outside of your immediate family).
- Offering boxes are located outside the main sanctuary doors and upstairs in the balcony.
- The seating outside the sanctuary window is reserved for parents with infants and young children.
- The church office is closed during the week, but the church staff is available by appointment, phone, and video conferencing.
- Remember that we may not be able to seat you in your favorite pew due to how we need to space families in the sanctuary. Thanks for your understanding and patience!
- Have a question? Need some help? Email us at info@graceinracine.com or call us at 262.632.2111.

Our heartfelt love, sympathy, and prayers to Dan and Mary Sawisky on the passing of Dan's step-father, Victor Morris.

On the passing of their son, Shannon, we extend our sympathy to Tom & Beckie Pencak.

Last Week: Sanctuary Attendance: 216 // Livestream Attendance: 155 households

Giving: Last Week: \$21,316 YTD: \$755,855 +/- Budget: \$15,568

Here are some key words to listen for in the sermon. Make a mark every time you hear these words:

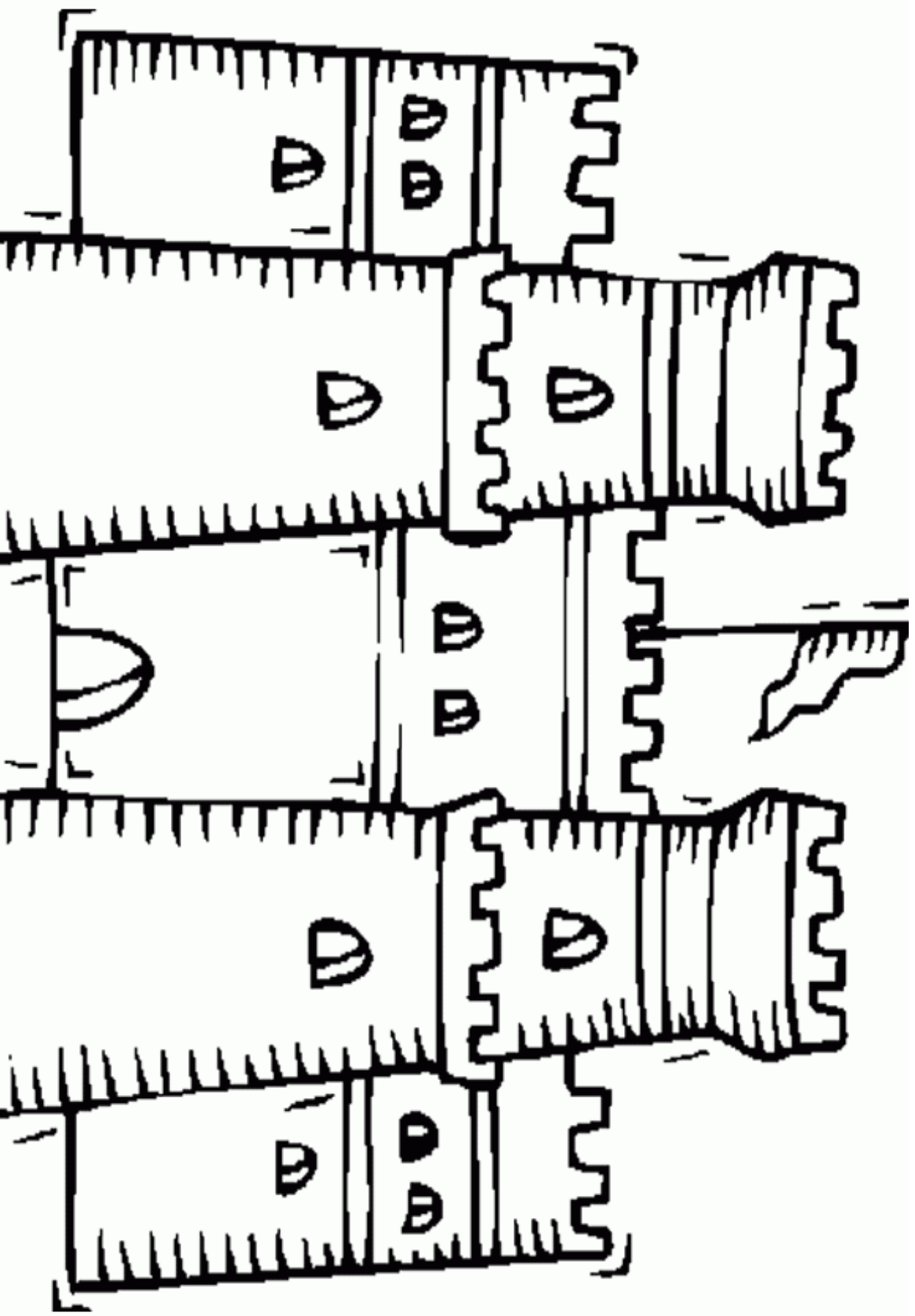
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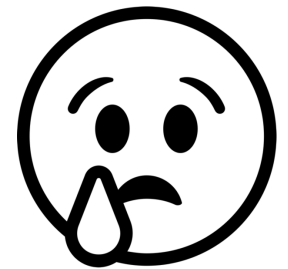
A Song to Steady Your Soul

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW AND THINK ABOUT HOW EACH TIES IN WITH TODAY'S PSALM:

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DESOLATIONS	HABITATION	RAGE	STILL
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EXALTED	KNOW	ROAR	WARS
FEAR	MOUNTAINS	SHATTERS	WATER

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HOW DOES THE WRITER OF THIS PSALM FEEL? COLOR ALL THE FACES THAT FIT.



REVIEW TODAY'S MESSAGE BY DISCUSSING THESE QUESTIONS AS A FAMILY:

- 1. READ PSALM 46 TOGETHER AS A FAMILY. LOOK UP THE WORD "REFUGE" IN A DICTIONARY. WHAT ARE SOME EXAMPLES THE PSALMIST GIVES OF HOW THE LORD PROVIDES REFUGE FOR HIS PEOPLE? WHAT ARE SOME EXAMPLES IN YOUR OWN LIFE OF HOW GOD HAS BEEN A REFUGE FOR YOU?**
- 2. IN VERSE 10 THE PSALMIST INSTRUCTS HIMSELF TO "BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD". HOW DOES STOPPING AND BEING STILL HELP US TO BETTER REMEMBER WHO GOD IS? WHAT ARE SOME WAYS YOU CAN REMIND YOURSELF OR OTHERS TO "BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD" IN THE MIDST OF SCARY OR CRAZY CIRCUMSTANCES.**
- 3. THINK THROUGH ALL THE WEIRD THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED IN 2020 SO FAR. WHAT DOES THIS PSALM SAY ABOUT GOD IN RELATION TO THOSE THINGS? WHO IS BIGGER? WHO IS IN CHARGE? HOW DOES THIS TRUTH STEADY YOUR SOUL?**

