

A Place of Refuge

(Psalm 46:1-10)

- Introduction:
1. The Bible affirms, and we confirm that all men are guilty of sin (Romans 3:23).
 2. Consequently, we need a Savior and a safe place of refuge.
 3. God, being the benevolent God he is, has always provided a place of refuge for his children.
 4. Let's consider the refuge he has offered in the past, is offering right now, and whether we have taken advantage of his offer.

I. In The Ark

- A. (Genesis 6-8).
- B. God planned to discipline the world for its wickedness.
- C. But he provided a place of refuge for the faithful.
- D. Only those in the ark were saved, and all outside of the ark were destroyed.

II. In The House

- A. (Exodus 12).
- B. God planned on delivering the children of Israel out of Egyptian bondage.
- C. Unless one was in the house where the blood had been applied, the firstborn would die.

III. In Rahab's House

- A. (Joshua 2:12-24; 6).
- B. Jericho was going to be destroyed.
- C. But those in Rahab's house would be spared from the destruction.
- D. If they left the house, they would be killed, but if they remained inside, they would find refuge.

IV. In The Cities of Refuge

- A. (Joshua 20).
- B. God made provision for those whose lives were in danger through being responsible for accidental death.
- C. Here they would be safe from the "avenger of blood."
- D. However, if they left the city, their life was in peril.

V. In Christ

- A. All spiritual blessings (Ephesians 1:3).
- B. New creature (2 Corinthians 5:17).
- C. Reconciled to God (Ephesians 2:16).
- D. Blessed in death (Revelation 14:13).

- Conclusion:
1. Are you in Christ today.
 2. It's the only place of refuge today.
 3. Here is how you enter that refuge - (Galatians 3:26-27).