LIFE IS HARD ... BUT GOD IS GOOD

WHEN TROUBLE COMES CALLING

Psalm 46:1-11 Jeff Schreve



King Sennacharib, 705-681 BC

What does God want us to do when trouble comes calling?

1. God wants us to run to Him.

The name of the LORD is a strong tower; The righteous runs into it and is safe. Proverbs 18:10

* God uses trouble to get our attention.

When He killed them, then they sought Him, And returned and searched diligently for God; And they remembered that God was their rock, And the Most High God their Redeemer.

Psalm 78:34-35

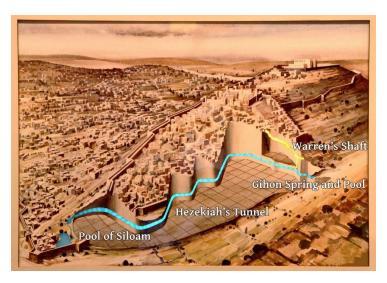
2. God wants us to rely in Him.

A. He is to be your refuge.

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:2

B. He is to be your strength.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, The holy dwelling places of the Most High. Psalm 46:4



C. He is to be your <u>help</u>.

"Be strong and courageous, do not fear or be dismayed because of the king of Assyria, nor because of all the multitude which is with him; for the one with us is greater than the one with him. With him is only an arm of flesh, but with us is the LORD our God to help us and to fight our battles." And the people relied on the words of Hezekiah king of Judah. 2 Chronicles 32:8

3. God wants us to rest in Him.

Cease striving and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our stronghold. Selah. Psalm 46:10-11

- A. Cast your burden on the Lord and leave it with Him.
- B. Rest confidently in your almighty, sovereign Father.

When trouble comes calling, <u>call upon the Lord</u>.