

**A Very Present Help**

B. God \_\_\_\_\_ our strength  
Is. 40:29

C. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ God our strength  
Ex. 15:2

He is a very present help to us because He is our strength.

Finally, no matter the problem, the place, the situation or scenario you find yourself in ...

**IV: God is \_\_\_\_\_ in Our Hardships**

He is sufficient because ...

A. He is \_\_\_\_\_ in His desire to help  
● **very** = *vehement = zealous / impassioned*

He is sufficient because ...

B. He is \_\_\_\_\_ there and available to help

Maybe you are dealing with discouragement, struggling with patience, working on anger, bitterness or jealousy issues... God is your refuge and strength and He is not only passionate to help you but always ready, willing, and able to help you. And as we are faced with uncertainty and even anxiousness for what lies ahead in 2022, understand our hope is found in God Almighty because He's the One who is all-knowing and all-powerful. He the One who cares about your problems, your pain, your hardship, and your spiritual growth. May we never forget that *God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble...*



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Ps. 46:1

The new year is always an exciting time of curiosity as to what lies in store. How many souls will we see saved? How many new families will we welcome? In what areas will God spiritually grow us?

It is also a time of great confusion and desperation in our culture today. A time when Christians are left wondering what to do when the things we see happening in the world are supposed to happen, yet as a Christian, we are supposed to be hopeful and joyful in life.

This morning we begin a new Sunday Morning series called "A Very Present Help" where we will discover God's promise of help in such confusing times.

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## A Very Present Help

First notice that no matter the problem, the place, the situation or scenario you find yourself in ...

### **I: God is Our \_\_\_\_\_ for Help**

People consider and use a lot of different resources to help them in life but the thing that we must never forget or compromise is the simple fact that God isn't just a resource for us to consider using to discern truth and to find help, but rather **HE IS** our source for help no matter the problem, pain, or situation that you are experiencing.

A. God is \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Gen. 18:14 / Matt. 19:24-26 / Matt. 28:18 / Ps. 62:11

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B. God is our perfect \_\_\_\_\_  
John 16:13 / Pro. 3:5-6 / Ps. 119:105 / Ps. 48:14

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C. God is \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Pro. 21:30 / Matt. 6:8

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As you try and navigate through what 2022 has in store for you, remember that as a Christian, you don't just have another resource to tap in to but rather you personally have an all-powerful, all-knowing, never-changing guide that you can trust.

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Second notice that no matter the problem, the place, the situation or scenario you find yourself in ...

### **II: God is Our \_\_\_\_\_ of Hope**

**Refuge** from Hebrew word *Khaw-saw* = *to flee to protection...* more specifically ... *to flee to a protective shelter of hope.*

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In Christ we find ...

A. Hope of \_\_\_\_\_  
Eph. 1:7 / Ps. 32:5

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B. Hope of God's \_\_\_\_\_  
Romans 8:35-39 / John 3:16 / 1 John 4:19

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C. Hope of God's \_\_\_\_\_  
John 16:33 / John 14:27

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In these dark times of deceit and delusion, God is there to be your shelter of protection, and confidence. He is there because He loves you; He is there to forgive you of your sin if you'll repent and believe on Jesus Christ as your Savior; and He is there to give you peace in your storm.

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Third notice that no matter the problem, the place, the situation or scenario you find yourself in ...

### **III: God is Our \_\_\_\_\_ to Harden**

**Strength** comes from the Hebrew word ... *aw-zaz* = *to harden / fortify / make solid*

We don't want to be wishy-washy Christians. Our faith needs to be strong and solid especially in these times. We need to know what the Bible says we need to know exactly what we believe and why we believe it

A. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord's strength  
1 Chron. 16:11 / 1 Chron. 16:27