OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH



Uncertain times.

Hatred and suspicion dividing the nations.

Spreading fear.

Violence.

There is an island of sanity in the midst of this turbulence.



It can be reached in an instant by opening the heart to a simple word:

"Be still, and know that I am God."

Serene circumstances are rare.

Peaceful days are fragile and few.

But the peace of knowing God is strong enough to weather any storm

"Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

John 14:27



God is our refuge and strength A very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, Though the earth be removed And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.

Psalm 46

His peace comes from the World Beyond.

When it enters you, you know it.

It's yours for the asking.



Prayer: Yes Lord, help us to find this island of sanity in the midst of upheavals and uncertainty. In the middle of it all, we still our hearts to acknowledge you, to worship you, to let go of our troubles and our fears, and to grasp your precious peace, to choose to dwell in you...our refuge and our strength. Amen.

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