





#### Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, <sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

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the holy habitation of the Most High.
<sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.
<sup>6</sup> The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
<sup>7</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

<sup>8</sup> Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

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<sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire. <sup>10</sup> "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" <sup>11</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

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Then Eliakim son of Hilkiah, and Shebna and Joah said to the field commander, "Please speak to your servants in Aramaic, since we understand it. Don't speak to us in Hebrew in the hearing of the people on the wall."

<sup>27</sup> But the commander replied, "Was it only to your master and you that my master sent me to say these things, and not to the people sitting on the wall—who, like you, will have to eat their own excrement and drink their own urine?"

<sup>28</sup> Then the commander stood and called out in Hebrew, "Hear the word of the great king, the king of Assyria! <sup>29</sup> This is what the king says: Do not let Hezekiah deceive you. He cannot deliver you from my hand. <sup>30</sup> Do not let Hezekiah persuade you to trust in the LORD when he says, 'The LORD will surely deliver us; this city will not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.'

<sup>31</sup> "Do not listen to Hezekiah. This is what the king of Assyria says: Make peace with me and come out to

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me. Then each of you will eat fruit from your own vine and fig tree and drink water from your own cistern, <sup>32</sup> until I come and take you to a land like your own—a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of olive trees and honey. Choose life and not death!

"Do not listen to Hezekiah, for he is misleading you when he says, 'The LORD will deliver us.' <sup>33</sup> Has the god of any nation ever delivered his land from the hand of the king of Assyria? <sup>34</sup> Where are the gods of

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Hamath and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena and Ivvah? Have they rescued Samaria from my hand? <sup>35</sup> Who of all the gods of these countries has been able to save his land from me? How then can the LORD deliver Jerusalem from my hand?"



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# 2 Kings 19:14-19

<sup>14</sup> Hezekiah received the letter from the messengers and read it. Then he went up to the temple of the LORD and spread it out before the LORD.<sup>15</sup> And Hezekiah prayed to the LORD: "LORD, the God of Israel, enthroned between the cherubim, you alone are God over all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth. <sup>16</sup> Give ear, LORD, and hear; open your eyes, LORD, and see; listen to the words Sennacherib has sent to ridicule the living God.



# 2 Kings 19:14-19

<sup>17</sup> "It is true, LORD, that the Assyrian kings have laid waste these nations and their lands. <sup>18</sup> They have thrown their gods into the fire and destroyed them, for they were not gods but only wood and stone, fashioned by human hands. <sup>19</sup> Now, LORD our God, deliver us from his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you alone, LORD, are God."



#### **Psalm 46:5**

#### God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.



# 2 Kings 19:35-37

<sup>35</sup> That night the angel of the LORD went out and put to death a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the Assyrian camp. When the people got up the next morning—there were all the dead bodies! <sup>36</sup> So Sennacherib king of Assyria broke camp and withdrew. He returned to Nineveh and stayed there. <sup>37</sup> One day, while he was worshiping in the temple of his god Nisrok, his sons Adrammelek and Sharezer killed him with the sword, and they escaped to the land of Ararat. And Esarhaddon his son succeeded him as king.



#### 2 Kings 19:14b

#### "Then he went up to the temple of the LORD and spread it out before the LORD."



# When was the last time you spread it out before the Lord?



