

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES

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*“Discovering God During
Your Struggle”*

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“Recovering From My Relapse”

REVIEW

RELAPSE:

A deterioration in someone's state of health after a temporary improvement.

*So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me.
(Romans 7:21)*

RESULT:

Be able to accept the end of your recovery as a **new norm**.

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new
is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17)*

Relapse Requires Transition

TRANSITION:

The process or a period of **changing** from one state or condition to another.

*When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child.
When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.
(1 Corinthians 13:11)*

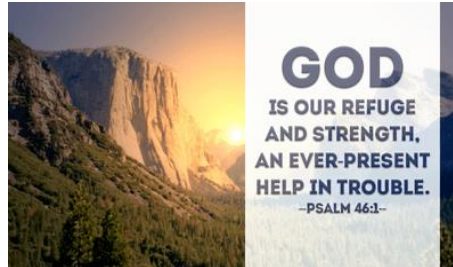
TODAY'S LESSON

“Discovering God During Your Struggle”

OBJECTIVE:

Students will be able to know the power of God and seek His face for their presence unto Him.

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PSALM

46 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

³Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

⁴There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High.

⁵God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

⁶The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

⁹He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

¹⁰Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

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ACTS OF GOD

- 1. Refuge:** A condition of being safe or sheltered from pursuit, danger, or trouble.
- 2. Strength:** The quality or state of being physically or spiritually strong.
- 3. Help:** The action of helping someone to do something; assistance.
- 4. Trouble:** The quality or state of being troubled especially mentally.

IMPACT OF GOD!

IMPACT ON US!

PREVENTION FROM GOD!

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HOW TO EXERCISE YOUR FAITH
IN GOD DURING OUR STRUGGLE

²*Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
³though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.*
(Psalm 46:2-3)

WHAT IS THE ONE BEHAVIOR THAT GOD REQUIRES US NOT TO EXERCISE?

_____!

HOW TO DEFUSE FEAR?

DEFINITION:

DEFUSE: To make less harmful, potent, or tens, to **defuse** a crisis.

THE RESULT OF BEING IN GOD'S PRESENCE
DURING YOUR STRUGGLE

¹⁰*He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will
be exalted in the earth."* ¹¹*The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our
fortress. (Psalm 46:10-11)*

OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE STRUGGLE – BE STILL

He says, "Be still, and know that I am God. (Psalm 46:10a)

WHAT DOES THIS LOOK LIKE DURING YOUR STRUGGLE?

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THE OUTCOMES OF OUR STRUGGLE

The Lord Almighty is with us; (Psalm 46:11a)

HE'S PRESENT AND HE'S PROTECTIVE!

DESCRIBE YOUR EXPERIENCE

TAKE-A-WAYS

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____