



Israel's Greatest Hits

A God in Control

Psalms Series

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When Life Seems Out of Control...

1. Let _____ (vv.1-3)

When Life Seems Out of Control...

2. Remember _____ (vv.4-7)

When Life Seems Out of Control...

3. Know _____ (vv.8-11)

TO THE CHOIRMASTER.
OF THE SONS OF KORAH.
ACCORDING TO
ALAMOTH. A SONG.

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

2 Therefore we will not
fear though the earth
gives way, though the
mountains be moved
into the heart of the
sea, **3** though its
waters roar and foam,
though the mountains
tremble at its swelling.
Selah

4 There is a river
whose streams make
glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of
the Most High. **5** God
is in the midst of her;

she shall not be
moved; God will help
her when morning
dawns. **6** The nations
rage, the kingdoms
totter; he utters his
voice, the earth melts.
7 The LORD of hosts is
with us; the God of
Jacob is our fortress.
Selah

8 Come, behold the
works of the LORD,
how he has brought
desolations on the
earth. **9** He makes
wars cease to the end
of the earth; he breaks
the bow and shatters
the spear; he burns
the chariots with fire.

10 "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 of hosts
is with us; the God of
Jacob is our fortress.
Selah (ESV)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Philippians 4:6-7**. What difference has prayer made in recalibrating your perspective amid a perilous or uncertain period of your life? Describe the difference a solid and consistent prayer life makes.
2. Read **1 Peter 5:6-11** and **Psalms 33:18-22**. Why is our confidence in God's promises regarding his love and concern for us so important for being able to patiently endure difficult situations?
3. Read **James 5:7-11**. What help is found in this passage for developing more patience as we wait for God's ultimate solution to our problems?
4. Read **Hebrews 11:13-16**. Why is our knowledge of the next life so critical for maintaining hope and confidence when this life gets tough?
5. Read **Psalms 37:5-10**. In light of these truths, what are some practical things you need to do so that you will "not fret" as you wait for God to resolve an unjust situation?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Though the Bible) for schedule prompts.

June 3rd

2Chr.10-12 & Jn.13:18-38

June 4th

2Chr.13-16 & Jn.14

June 5th

2Chr.17-19 & Jn.15

June 6th

2Chr.20-22 & Jn.16:1-15

June 7th

2Chr.23-25 & Jn.16:16-33

June 8th

2Chr.26-28 & Jn.17

June 9th

2Chr.29-31 & Jn.18:1-23

June 10th

2Chr.32-33 & Jn.18:24-40

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

CD # 1018 – ***Praying Through the Pain***

CD # 0710 – ***Reaching Forward with the Hope of a New World***

CD # 0616 – ***A Crash Course in the End of the Book***

CD # 0531 – ***The Next World Order: Looking Forward without Giving Up***

CD # 0718 – ***Trusting God When Hope Seems Lost***

CD # 1015–1021 – ***When Life is Tough*** (a seven-part exposition of Romans 8:18-39)

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Hutchinson, John. ***Thinking Right When Things Go Wrong: Biblical Wisdom for Surviving Tough Times***. Kregel, 2005.

Lewis, C.S. ***The Problem of Pain***. Macmillan Publishing, 1962.

MacArthur, John. ***Anxious for Nothing: God Cares for the Cares of Your Soul***. Victor Books, 2006.

McKeehan, Toby and Mark Heimermann. ***Jesus Freaks: Stories of Those Who Stood for Jesus***. Albury Publishing, 1999.

Motyer, Alec. ***Look to the Rock: An Old Testament Background to our Understanding of Christ***. IVP, 1996.

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Stowell, Joseph. ***Eternity: Reclaiming a Passion for What Endures***. Chicago: Moody Press, 1995.

Tada, Joni Eareckson. ***Heaven: Your Real Home***. Zondervan, 1997.

Thrasher, Bill. ***A Journey to Victorious Praying: Finding Discipline & Delight in Your Prayer Life***. Moody, 2003.

Welch, Edward. ***Running Scared: Fear, Worry and the God of Rest***. New Growth Press, 2007.