Series: Immovable Title: Stand Strong

Text: Psalm 46:1-7 (Page 471)

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God is our...

REFUGE
 STRENGTH
 PRESENT HELP

Place to HIDE
Strength to STAND
Easy to FIND

Therefore...

- 1. We have NOTHING to FEAR.
- 2. God brings CALM from CHAOS.

Psalm 1:3; 102:25-28; Joel 3:18; Revelation 22:1-2

3. God brings an END to ENEMIES.

Lamentations 3:22-23

4. If... OUR God is WITH us.

Jeremiah 7:2-7

## **HEARING AND DOING**

Each week this section will provide next steps for going deeper with the sermon material, as well as preparing for discussion in your Life Group. Don't worry if you can't find all the answers!

- 1. Read Psalm 46:1-7. To get ready for next week's sermon, read Psalm 46:8-11 as part of your personal worship each morning.
- 2. Look again at verse 1. God is portrayed as three things. What are they and, in your own words, what do they mean?
- 3. Which of these three is most attractive to you? Why?
- 4. Look at verse 7. Is God "with" everyone? Who does the "us" refer to? Who might it refer to today?
- 5. Below are the lyrics to a famous hymn, *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, written by Martin Luther and inspired by today's text. Prayerfully read the lyrics and then write a sentence or two in response.

A mighty Fortress is our God, A Bulwark never failing; Our Helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing: For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing: Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth His Name, From age to age the same, And He must win the battle. And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us: The Prince of Darkness grim, We tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, For lo! his doom is sure, One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sideth: Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also; The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, His Kingdom is forever.