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1 A prophecy concerning Nineveh. The book
of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

The Lord’s Anger Against Nineveh

Verse 7:

The Lord is good,

a refuge in times of trouble.

He cares for those who trust in him,

For those who trust Him, God is a fortified place of safety from oppressors and enemies.

God's people can find comfort in the face of storms.

2 The Lord is a jealous and avenging God;

the Lord takes vengeance and is filled with wrath.

The Lord takes vengeance on his foes

and vents his wrath against his enemies.

3 The Lord is slow to anger but great in power;

the Lord will not leave the guilty unpunished.

His way is in the whirlwind and the storm,

and clouds are the dust of his feet.

We know that God is all-good, all-powerful, patient and just.

God's people can rely on God's strength, and they should trust in that, not their own power.

4 He rebukes the sea and dries it up;
he makes all the rivers run dry.
Bashan and Carmel wither
and the blossoms of Lebanon fade.

5 The mountains quake before him
and the hills melt away.
The earth trembles at his presence,
the world and all who live in it.

God's superior might is on full display.

6 Who can withstand his indignation?
Who can endure his fierce anger?
His wrath is poured out like fire;
the rocks are shattered before him.

7 The Lord is good,

a refuge in times of trouble.

He cares for those who trust in him,

God's goodness is affirmed in the midst of His judgment. This all-powerful, all-good God is a refuge for those who trust in Him.

Real consolation, real refuge, come from trusting in God.

God is a refuge, a protective tower, a place where His people can run for safety.

(Proverbs 18:10).

Psalm 18:30 As for God, his way is perfect:
The Lord’s word is flawless; he shields all
who take refuge in him.

Psalm 25:20 Guard my life and rescue me;
do not let me be put to shame, for I take
refuge in you.

Psalm 57:1 Have mercy on me, my God, have mercy on me, for in you I take refuge. I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed.

Psalm 46:1: God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.

God is our refuge– shelter, hope, trust, and our place of safety.

Trouble comes into all of our lives, but we can seek refuge in the Lord.

He protects us in times of trouble.

Proverbs 18:10: “The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.”

Psalm 18:2-3: The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; So shall I be saved from my enemies.

Do you run to the Lord when troubles come?

God is our Strength – Ask for it!

Isaiah 40:28-31: Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary.

His understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall, But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength;

They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

God is always ready to strengthen us.

<u>God provides refuge and strength to His people.</u>

He helps us in our trials. Not from a distance–but He is right here with us to help us in our trials.

Hebrews 13:5-6: For He Himself has said, I will never leave you nor forsake you.

Will you determine to seek God's help each day?

Will you allow God to take control of the trials in your life?

God is always waiting to answer your prayers.

Psalm 34:17-19: The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

God is our refuge, our strength and our help.

Trust him to take care of us.