

FAITH THAT FINDS REFUGE IN GOD

As people of faith, we build lives that host God's presence—for ourselves and for others. Faith makes space for God to dwell among us.

Today's Scripture

Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; He is my God, and I trust Him. For He will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease. He will cover you with His feathers. He will shelter you with His wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.
—Psalm 91:1-4 (NLT)

I pray that from His glorious, unlimited resources He will empower you with inner strength through His Spirit. Then Christ will make His home in your hearts as you trust in Him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep His love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

—Ephesians 3:16-19 (NLT)

Reflect on the Word

The imagery found in Psalm 91 captures the nearness and intimacy of God's protection. We're given a picture of an eagle protecting her young underneath her wings. Those who commune with God and put their trust in Him know the comfort and security of living under the protection of the One who is all-mighty.

By faith we're drawn into His shelter. The storm may still be pelting down around us, but we're promised the shelter of His wings.

We can find refuge in God no matter our circumstances because we are confident that God loves us, will be with us in every storm, and will (in His own good time) work all things for our good.

This refuge isn't something we have to go out and find, either. In Ephesians, Paul revels in the wonder that in Jesus, we not only dwell in God's presence, but His very presence makes a home within us, transforming us by the power of His Spirit and empowering us to display His presence to others. God's love creates a refuge within our very souls that can never be taken away from us.

Our faith hosts the very presence of God in a way that others can see, feel and be drawn to. May we always find refuge in God as we become a place where others can encounter the God who loves us.

Prayer + Contemplation

- 01** —— Read through Psalm 91:1-4. Reflect on what it means for God to be your refuge. Remember how He has been a refuge in the past. Ponder how He is acting as your refuge in this season.
- 02** —— Using Ephesians 3:16-19 as a guide, ask Christ to make His home in your heart, for the inner strength the Holy Spirit provides, and for you to fully experience the love that God has for you.
- 03** —— Who in your life needs to experience God's love and refuge? Bring those people before the Lord and pray these promises of God over them.

Notes + Reflection
