

Title: Safety from the storm – a word of comfort
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Those who know their God...

Daniel 11:32

³² ...but the people who know their God shall stand firm and take action.

The Lord reigns!

Psalm 93

¹ The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. ² Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting. ³ The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. ⁴ Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty! ⁵ Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness adorns your house, O LORD, forevermore.

1: The Lord reigns

Psalm 93:1-2

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- **The Lord is in control**

Romans 13:1

¹ For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God.

Colossians 1:16-17

¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities--all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

2: He has girded Himself

Psalm 93:1

¹ ...he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt...

Jeremiah 32:17, 27

¹⁷ Ah, Lord GOD! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you.

²⁷ Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is anything too hard for me?

Isaiah 57:15

¹⁵ For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

3: Your throne is established

Psalm 93:1-2

¹...Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. ² Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

- **His reign will never end**

Daniel 6:26

²⁶...for he is the living God, enduring forever; his kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion shall be to the end.

Revelation 1:17-18

¹⁷ Fear not, I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ I am He who lived, who died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

4: The floods have lifted up

Psalm 93:3

³ The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

- **The Lord sets limits to the storms**

Job 38:8-11

⁸ [Job, have you] shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?

- **The Lord sets limits to the enemy**

Isaiah 54:16-17

¹⁶ Behold, I have created the smith who blows the fire of coals and produces a weapon for its purpose. I have also created the ravager to destroy; ¹⁷ no weapon that is fashioned against you shall succeed, and you shall confute every tongue that rises against you in judgment. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD and their vindication from me, declares the LORD."

Psalm 27:1-3

¹ The LORD my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ² When the wicked, my enemies and my foes, came on me to eat my flesh, they stumbled and fell. ³ Though an army should camp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war should rise against me, in this will I trust.

5: The Lord is mightier

Psalm 93:4

⁴ Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!

Psalm 2:1, 3, 12

¹ Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

³ He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.

¹² Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Psalm 18:1-2

¹ ...I love you, O LORD, my strength. ² The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

6: Your decrees are very sure

Psalm 93:5

⁵ Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness adorns your house, O LORD, forevermore.

- **The Lord will fulfil every promise**

Isaiah 55:10-11

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Psalms 19:7-11

⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; ⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; ⁹ the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

7: Holiness fits Your house

Psalms 93:5

⁵ ...holiness adorns your house, O LORD, forevermore.

- **Safety in His house**

Psalms 27:4-6

⁴ One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. ⁶ And now my head shall be lifted up...

Application: Putting the Word into practice

- Trust in the Lord's reign – do not fear!
- Submit yourself to Lord's reign.
- In chaos, draw ear to Him – he is stable.
- Meditate on His Word – it is trustworthy.
- Find comfort and refuge in the Lord's House.