## **God Will Carry You**

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## It is a great certainty that God is seeking us more than we are seeking Him.

Psalm 46:1-7 ESV

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

- <u>present</u> (matsa') to find, secure, acquire, meet, encounter, discover
- <u>help</u> (ezrah) help, assistance
- 2 Therefore <u>we will not fear</u> though <u>the earth gives way</u>, <u>though the mountains be moved</u> into <u>the heart of the</u> 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 <u>nations rage</u>, the <u>kingdoms totter</u>; he <u>utters his voice</u>, the <u>earth melts</u>.
- 7 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah

Psalm 145:18 ESV

18 The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Deuteronomy 4:7 ESV

7 For what great nation is there that <u>has a god so near</u> to it <u>as the LORD our God is to us</u>, <u>whenever we call</u> upon him?

Exodus 3:7-9 ESV

7 Then the LORD said, "Lhave surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. Lknow their sufferings,

8 and <u>Lhave come down to deliver them</u> out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

9 And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and Lhave also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.

James 4:8 ESV

8 <u>Draw near to God</u>, and <u>he will draw near to you</u>. <u>Cleanse your hands</u>, <u>you sinners</u>, and <u>purify your hearts</u>, you <u>double-minded</u>.

Hebrews 10:22-23 ESV

22 <u>let us draw near</u> <u>with a true heart</u> in <u>full assurance of faith</u>, with <u>our hearts sprinkled clean</u> from an evil conscience and <u>our bodies washed</u> with pure water.

23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

## God carries each and every one of His children from birth to death.

Isaiah 63:7-9 ESV

7 I <u>will recount</u> the <u>steadfast love of the LORD</u>, the praises of the LORD, <u>according to all</u> that <u>the LORD has</u> <u>granted us</u>, and <u>the great goodness to the house of Israel</u> that he has <u>granted them</u> <u>according to his</u> <u>compassion</u>, <u>according to the abundance of his steadfast love</u>.

8 For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely." And he became their Savior.
9 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

Isaiah 46:3-4 ESV

3 "Listen to me, O house of Jacob, all the remnant of the house of Israel, who have been borne by me from before your birth, carried from the womb;

4 <u>even to your old age</u> I am he, and <u>to gray hairs</u> <u>I will carry you</u>. <u>I have made</u>, and <u>I will bear</u>; <u>I will carry</u> and <u>will save</u>."

Romans 8:14 ESV

14 For all who are <u>led by the Spirit of God</u> are sons of God.

•  $\underline{led}$  ( $\underline{ag\bar{o}}$ ) those  $\underline{who}$  are being  $\underline{led}$ , to  $\underline{lead}$  by laying hold of, carry, bring, drive

## God not only knows about our pain, He actually experiences our pain.

Hebrews 2:14-18 ESV

14 Since therefore the children <u>share in flesh and blood</u>, he himself <u>likewise partook of the same things</u>, that <u>through death</u> he might <u>destroy the one who has the power of death</u>, that is, <u>the devil</u>,

15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.

17 Therefore he <u>had to be made like his brothers</u> in <u>every respect</u>, so that he <u>might become a merciful</u> and <u>faithful high priest</u> in <u>the service of God</u>, to <u>make propitiation</u> for <u>the sins of the people</u>.

18 For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 4:14-16 ESV

14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, <u>let us</u> hold fast our confession.

15 For we do not have a high priest who is <u>unable to sympathize with our weaknesses</u>, but one <u>who in every respect</u> has <u>been tempted as we are</u>, yet without sin.

• <u>sympathize</u> (sympatheō) compassion, touched with the feeling of, affected with the same feeling as another

16 <u>Let us then</u> with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.