Life Center Sunday, March 22, 2020

# The Refuge of His

Week 2

Let the Weak say I am Strong

- 1. How we feel. Global Stress
  - missing you all
  - stress of being home

financial stress

relational stress,

children at home - resources on line

working at home

job loss

- uncertainty and disappointment
- fear of disaster, financial ruin
- panic
- let us know your needs, prayer requests
- 2. Reaching Out in "lockdown" or "sheltering in place"
  - neighbors, neighborhoods
  - technology Zoom, FaceTime, Skype
  - opportunities to serve
    food distribution qualifications, training, Edgar
    drive by prayer teams

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- testimonies of God's grace

- healings - salvations - miracles of provision

3. Feed your Soul

thechosen.tv

avoid junk

**Global Awakening** 

**Global Celebration** 

many friends,

Avoid junk tv, movies and endless news

#### 3. Keep Returning to the Main Things

Deut. 4:9 "Only take care, and **keep your soul diligently,** lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children—

Be Kind —

Love is the commandment

Worry is a waste of time.... Regret... comparing ourselves with others.

Listen to your dreams more than your fears.

We are all in this crazy time together. Nothing surprises God!

One of our greatest freedoms is how we respond to things.

FEAR is a liar. LOVE is eternal. GIVE THANKS... opens the Gates into His Presence

His PRESENCE

Phil. 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. [S 1]

HOW?

- [James 1:2 NKJ My brethren, **count it all joy** when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.4 But let patience have *its* perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.
- 5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.]
- Phil. 4:5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand;
- 6 do not be **anxious** about **anything**, but **in everything** by **prayer** and **supplication** with **thanksgiving** let your **requests** be made known to God. **[S 2]**
- 7 And the **peace of God**, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. **[S 3]**
- 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is **true**, whatever is **honorable**, whatever is **just**, whatever is **pure**, whatever is **lovely**, whatever is **commendable**, if there is any **excellence**, if there is anything **worthy of praise**, <u>think about these things</u>. [S 4]
- 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me practice these things, and **the God of peace will be with you**.

### HOPE

Rom. 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

## **II. Power of Blessing:**

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Favor and Protection

- Nu 6:23 NIV Tell Aaron and his sons, This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:
- 24 The Lord bless you and keep you;
- 25 the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
- 26 the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace." '
- 27 So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them."

May the Lord bless you with grace and peace,	[SLIDE 5]
Power and protection, Health and healing,	[6]
Holiness and godliness, abundance and prosperity,	[7]
And all the fruit and gifts of the Holy Spirit,	[8]
In the Name of Jesus, Amen!	[ 9]