

Chariots Will Fail You!

Nov. 08, 2020 – Psalm 20:1-9

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Psalms 20

1 May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! 2 May he send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion! 3 May he remember all your offerings and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices! Selah 4 May he grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans! 5 May we shout for joy over your salvation, and in the name of our God set up our banners! May the LORD fulfill all your petitions! 6 Now I know that the LORD saves his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with the saving might of his right hand. 7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God. 8 They collapse and fall, but we rise and stand upright. 9 O LORD, save the king! May he answer us when we call.

Point: The Lord is the source of **hope** and **deliverance** for His people, therefore His people must place their **trust** in Him.

1. Misplaced trust is a disease that we all **naturally** give in to. (Proverbs 3:5)
2. Misplaced trust fails to recognize the **power** and **glory** of God! (*Psalm 78:21-22*)

How does this truth inform our response to current events?

1. Trust in the Lord's **deliverance**.
2. Trust in the Lord's **sovereignty**. (Daniel 4:17; Romans 13:1)
3. Trust in the Lord's **wisdom**. (Proverbs 3:6)
4. Trust in the Lord's **ways**. (1 Peter 2:11-12)

Questions

1. In what ways have you leaned on our own understanding in the past two weeks?
2. What are some of the things that Christians can easily misplace their hope in?
3. What does it look like for you to trust in God's deliverance?
4. What does it look like for you to trust in God's sovereignty?
5. What does it look like for you to trust in God's wisdom?
6. What does it look like for you to trust in God's ways?

Next Steps: November Reading Plan (Week 2)

Day One: Matthew 19

Day Two: Matthew 20

Day Three: Matthew 21

Day Four: Matthew 22

Day Five: Matthew 23

Memorization Tip:

Re-**HEAR**-sal: To rehearse something is to go over it again and again. Do this aloud so that you can HEAR the verse. This method is extremely helpful when memorizing larger passages of Scripture.

Next Week's Sermon: Romans 11

October Scripture Memory:

20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:20-23 (ESV)