

Be Still and Know!

KJV Psalm 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

This song was written to encourage God's people to have confidence in God when all else seems to fail.

It was written by the sons of Korah who wrote **11** of the **150** psalms!

Korah was a **Levite** those chosen by God to be His priests, **Korah** was also Moses cousin.

Korah, Dathan, Abiram & On rebell against Moses, they convinced 250 leaders (famous people) to join them.

While they're still miles and years away from entering The Promised Land surrounded by enemies, **they're fighting among themselves!**

God deals with the rebellious priests causing the earth to swallow them up! (Num 16:1-3)

The **250** people they convinced to follow them were consumed by fire.

The rest of Israel complained and accused Moses & Aaron of killing God's people, apparently, they were going to harm Moses & Aaron when God appears in the glory cloud.

God tells Moses & Aaron to move away from the people because He's going to destroy them.

Moses and Aaron fall on their faces and intercede for the people!

Numbers 16:46 Then Moses said to Aaron, "Take your censer and put incense in it, along with burning coals from the altar, and hurry to the assembly to make atonement for them. Wrath has come out from the LORD; the plague has started."

Numbers 16:48 And he (Aaron) stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stopped.

Censers with coals from the altar represent the prayers of the righteous!

Intercession, the prayers of the righteous "Stopped The Plague"!

The NT scripture is found in The book of **James**.

James 5:14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Like **Moses and Aaron** when God's people humble ourselves and confess our sins it produces **great power in the spirit realm**.

If anyone was sick or gets sick the prayer of faith will rescue them from danger, God will **raise them up** (in this life or the next) and their sins will be forgiven.

Matthew 10:28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

Now after giving you the backdrop on the history of **Korahs family** we come back to our **foundational scripture**.

As I stated they wrote **11** of the **150** Psalms!

The **Kohathites** were originally responsible for carrying The Ark of the Covenant, the holy utensils, including the Table of the Showbread, the Menorah, the Golden Altar and the Copper Altar.

Maybe because they were always around **the most holy** things of God, they developed a sensitivity and closeness to the LORD, others hadn't!

Maybe because of what their father went through drew them closer to The LORD because they wanted to make sure they didn't fall into the same sin.

Maybe they sang songs as they moved each holy piece of furniture!

Either way **the sons of Korah** wrote: **Psalm 46:1** *God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*

2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea..

Just because my father was swallowed up by the earth, it doesn't mean it's going to happen to me!

Just because **rebellion** was in the daddy's heart, it's **not** in mine!

Just because tragedy struck our father, doesn't mean it will befall us!

Psalm 46:7 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

In **verse 9** They say, **man starts wars, but God brings them to an end!**

- **Men starts plagues and God brings them to and end!**
- **Men start famines and God brings them to and end!**
- **Man stirs up trouble on earth, but God brings the peace!**

God's ultimately in Charge! *Many are the plans...Prov 19:21!*

The sons of Korah have seen to much of God's glory to be moved by trouble, so they write:

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Be still means **stop worrying and questioning** things you don't understand!

Be still means to **relax**, what man can't do God will do!

Be still means **calm down!**

Know that I am God means understand **I am The Alpha and Omega** the beginning and the ending.

God is saying when you come to the end of yourself and your efforts fail, remember I'm your God, sit down relax and watch Me work!

Psalm 22:28 For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

KJV Matthew 6:9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.