

## **Weekly Devotions: GOD IS SOVEREIGN 7**

### **Our God Is Forever Faithful**

Who do you turn to in your times of need? Who and what do you trust in your times of trouble? God? People? Yourself? Some of us feel God is faraway when we need Him most. Is that true?

David who had his share of problems, even though he was a king, proclaimed throughout his psalms of God's love and faithfulness. He said: "For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!" (Psalm 57:10-11) Other psalmists also praised God for His unfailing love and faithfulness to those who looked to Him for help.

### **Read Psalm 91**

Our faith should be grounded on who God is. The Psalmist said we can trust in God's help and faithfulness because God is "the Most High", "the Almighty" (v.1), "the Lord", the covenant-keeping God and "my God" (v. 2). In troubled times we should rest and hide in Him, look to Him for comfort and protection, for He is our "shelter" and "shadow" (v.1) and our "refuge" and "fortress" (v.2).

The Psalmist uses two images to describe God's protective love; first, He is like a mother bird sheltering and protecting her young from harm. Second, God's faithfulness is like the soldier's shield and armor protecting him from danger (v.4).

The Hebrew word for faithfulness comes from the word for truth. God will be faithful to His Word and promises. Whatever He has promised, He will fulfill.

### *Questions to ponder*

1. Which name and image of God in Psalm 91 speaks to you most? In your own experience is there a difficult time when you experienced God's comfort and help?
2. What did the Psalmist say about what God will do for those who are in trouble and who come to Him for 'refuge' (vv. 3-13)?
3. What three things did God promise to those who trust Him and acknowledge His Name (vv. 14-16)?
4. How do you make God your habitual dwelling place and abide in the shadow of the Almighty God (v. 1)?