

## **TEXT: Psalm 11:1-7**

### **TITLE: "Refuge for the Righteous"**

#### **Psalm 11 BACKGROUND:**

##### **→ Note four elements showing a desperate situation:**

- verse 1: escape is suggested,
- verse 2: conspiracy threatens,
- verse 3: destroyed foundations,
- verse 5: violence.

##### **→ Note five references to the LORD:**

- verse 1: trust in the LORD,
- verse 4: in His holy temple, His throne in heaven,
- verse 5: tests the righteous,
- verse 7: is righteous.

#### **→ HOW DOES A RIGHTEOUS MAN FIND REFUGE IN THE MIDST OF CHAOS? BY A ...**

### **1. CONFIDENT T \_\_\_\_\_ IN THE LORD--(11:1-3).**

#### **A. The Believer's Keen Declaration of S \_\_\_\_\_ in the LORD--(11:1)**

#### **B. Reasons for the Suggestion of E \_\_\_\_\_ by the Well-intentioned Friends--(11:2).**

1. Wicked ones are preparing for battle, to attack.
2. They attack by stealth, conspiracy and covert rebellion.
3. The target of the wicked is those who are upright in heart and life!

#### **C. A U \_\_\_\_\_ Opportunity for Trust in the LORD--(11:3)**

### **2. CLEAR F \_\_\_\_\_ ON THE LORD--(11:4-6).**

#### **A. Focus on His A \_\_\_\_\_ for Comfort--(11:4).**

1. Immanence--He is nearby, dwelling with His people in His Temple!
2. Holiness--He cannot but do the right thing!
3. Sovereignty--He rules from on high! His throne is exalted.
4. Omnipresence--He sees everything everywhere!
5. Omniscience--He knows everything! He proves people and deeds.

#### **B. Focus on His A \_\_\_\_\_ for Comfort--(11:5-6).**

##### **1. Contrast His Dealings--(11:5).**

- "Righteous"--They are refined by the LORD.
- "Wicked"--They are detested by the LORD.
- "Lovers of violence" describes the wicked who take unfair advantage of others and abuse them with hostility.

##### **2. Understand the Wicked's Calamities--(11:6).**

- "Snares" or "Coals" will come down upon the wicked.
  - "Fire, brimstone, burning wind will fill their cup.
- NOTE: This sounds like Sodom and Gomorrah!

### **3. CALM R \_\_\_\_\_ WITH THE LORD--(11:7).**

#### **A. The C \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD.**

1. He is absolutely righteous!
2. He loves righteous things, activities.
3. He wants us to know Him & trust in Him!

#### **B. His B \_\_\_\_\_ to the Upright**

1. To behold His face is to spend time in His presence.
2. It is to share uninterrupted communion with Him forever! (Psalm 16:11)
3. Mary chose that part with Jesus (Luke 10:39-42).

### **APPLICATIONS:**