

Do Not Be Like the Horse Or the Mule - -

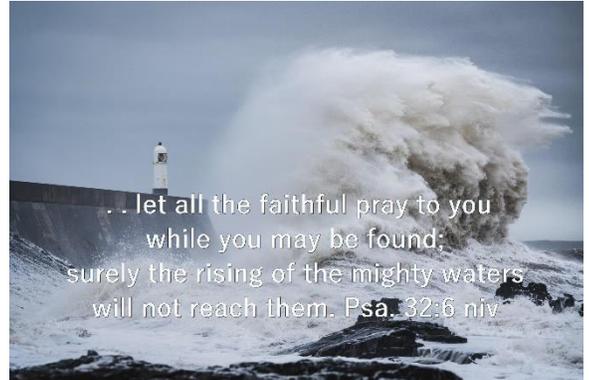
Psalm 32, Of David, niv

- 1) Blessed is the one
whose transgressions are forgiven,
whose sins are covered.
- 2) Blessed is the one
whose sin the Lord does not count against them
and in whose spirit is no deceit.
- 3) When I kept silent,
my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
- 4) For day and night
your hand was heavy on me;
my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.
- 5) Then I acknowledged my sin to you
and did not cover up my iniquity.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
And you forgave the guilt of my sin.
- 6) Therefore let all the faithful pray to you
while you may be found;
surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.
- 7) You are my hiding place;
you will protect me from trouble
and surround me with songs of deliverance.
- 8) I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.
- 9) Do not be like the horse or the mule,
which have no understanding
but must be controlled by bit and bridle
or they will not come to you.
- 10) Many are the woes of the wicked,
but the Lord's unfailing love
surrounds the one who trusts in him.
- 11) Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous;
sing, all you who are upright in heart!

DO we feel God's hand upon us as in v4, or are we so at ease with "church" as we know it that we are oblivious to His Presence?

I cannot escape the sense that God is warning the Church, especially in America, much like He warned Israel through Jeremiah. "This is what the LORD says: Look! I am preparing a disaster for you and devising a plan against you. So turn from your evil ways, each one of you, and reform your ways and your actions." Jeremiah 18:11b Read <https://biblia.com/bible/esv/jeremiah/18/1-17>

Verse 6 is still our choice but maybe not for long.



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