



Songs in the Night



# Psalm 10

**Why, Lord, do you stand far  
off? Why do you hide yourself in  
times of trouble?**

**Psalm 10:1**

**In his arrogance the wicked man  
hunts down the weak, who are  
caught in the schemes he devises.**

**Psalm 10:2**

**He boasts about the cravings of his  
heart; he blesses the greedy and  
reviles the Lord.**

**Psalm 10:3**

**In his pride the wicked man does  
not seek him; in all his thoughts  
there is no room for God.**

**Psalm 10:4**

**His ways are always prosperous;  
your laws are rejected by him; he  
sneers at all his enemies.**

**Psalm 10:5**



He says to himself, “Nothing will ever shake me.” He swears, “No one will ever do me harm.”

Psalm 10:6

**His mouth is full of lies and  
threats; trouble and evil are under  
his tongue.**

**Psalm 10:7**

He lies in wait near the  
villages; from ambush he murders  
the innocent. His eyes watch in  
secret for his victims;

Psalm 10:8

**Like a lion in cover he lies in wait.**

**He lies in wait to catch the  
helpless; he catches the helpless  
and drags them off in his net.**

**Psalm 10:9**

**His victims are crushed, they  
collapse; they fall under his  
strength.**

**Psalm 10:10**

**He says to himself, “God will never notice; he covers his face and never sees.”**

**Psalm 10:11**

**Arise, LORD! Lift up your hand, O  
God. Do not forget the helpless.**

**Psalm 10:12**

**Why does the wicked man revile  
God? Why does he say to  
himself, “He won’t call me to  
account”?**

**Psalm 10:13**





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Are Christians  
allowed to  
**complain?**

**But you, God, see the trouble of the afflicted; you consider their grief and take it in hand. The victims commit themselves to you; you are the helper of the fatherless.**

**Psalm 10:14**

**Break the arm of the wicked  
man; call the evildoer to account  
for his wickedness that would not  
otherwise be found out.**

**Psalm 10:15**

**The Lord is King for ever and  
ever; the nations will perish from  
his land.**

**Psalm 10:16**

**You, LORD, hear the desire of the  
afflicted; you strengthen them, and  
you listen to their cry.**

**Psalm 10:17**

**Defending the fatherless and the  
oppressed, so that mere earthly  
mortals will never again strike  
terror.**

**Psalm 10:18**



**The Right Way to Complain**

**Not Denial ---- Not Despair**

**Admit the Pain // Persistent Hope**

# When we complain to God

*Come Humbly*

*Pray the Bible*

*Be Honest*

*Move Closer to God*

**Our God Sees.**

**Our God Hears.**

**Our God Comes Close.**

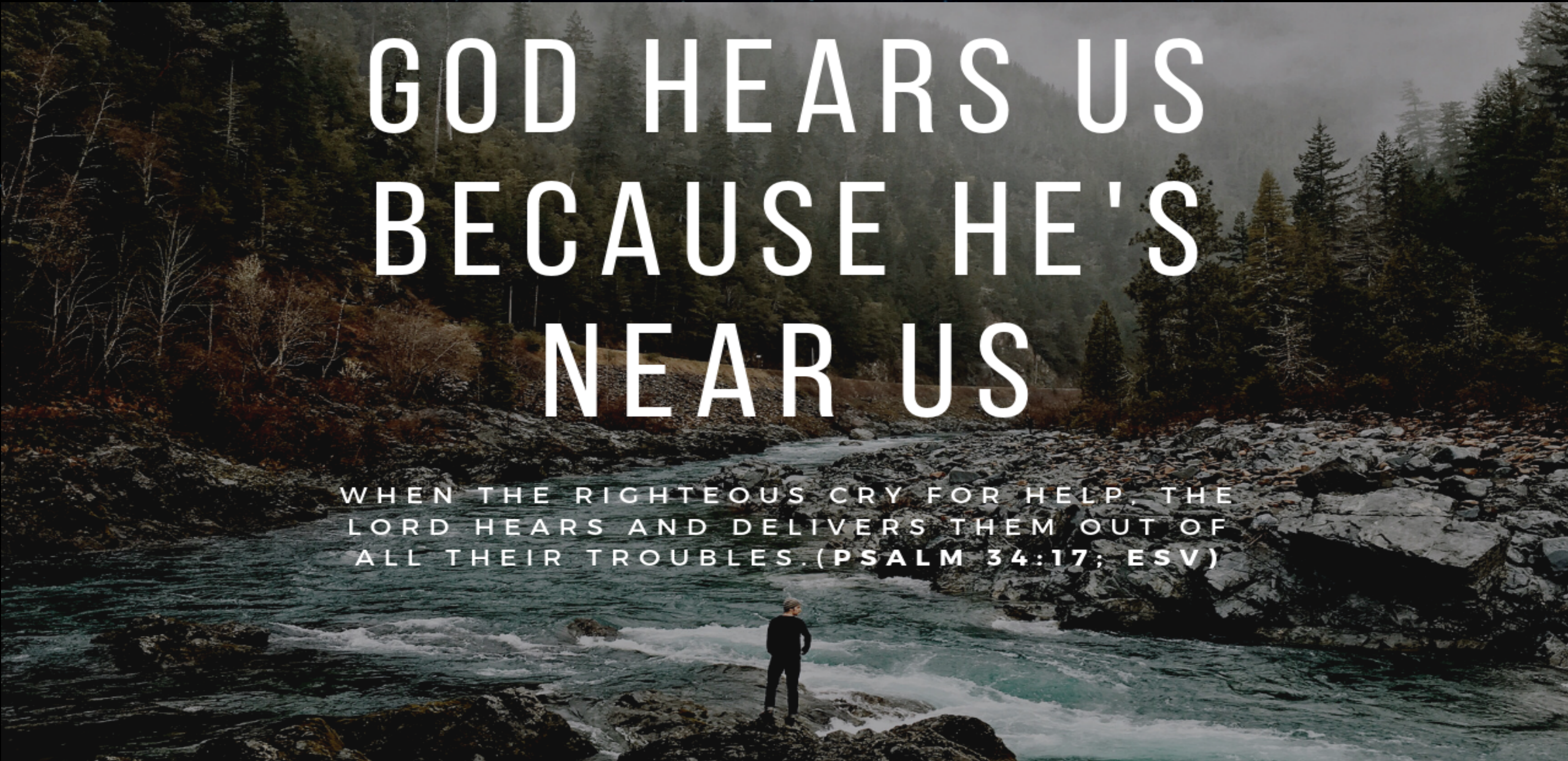
# Our God Sees.

*“**But you, God, you see** the trouble of the afflicted; you consider their grief and take it in hand.”*

# Our God Hears.

*“**You, Lord, hear** the desire of the afflicted; you strengthen them, and **you listen to their cry.**”*



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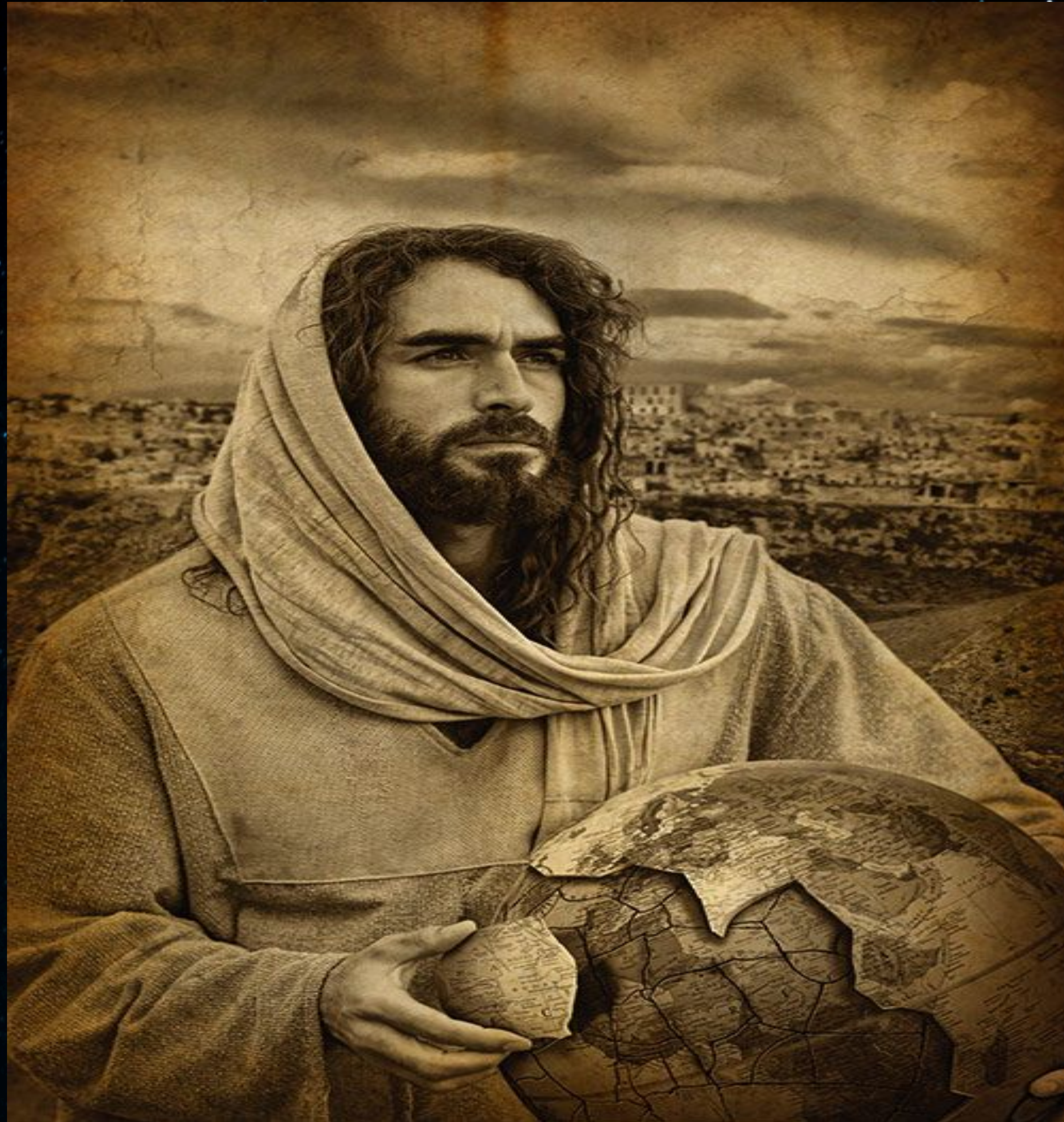
# GOD HEARS US BECAUSE HE'S NEAR US

WHEN THE RIGHTEOUS CRY FOR HELP, THE  
LORD HEARS AND DELIVERS THEM OUT OF  
ALL THEIR TROUBLES. (PSALM 34:17; ESV)

Our God Comes Close.

*“**Arise, LORD!** Lift up your hand, O  
God. Do not forget the helpless.*”





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**“Into Me See”**

**Bring your complaints to God**

**“Why Lord....???”**

**Where are you, God...???**

**Do you hear my prayers...???**

**Come forward for prayer today.**

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