Psalm 46 Whole Passage Reading Map

Keep the stillness line within the whole psalm.

A quiet reading practice must not replace the psalm's larger confession about God.

Hypothetical example: A family reads the warfare imagery and refrain before choosing a brief pause to attend to the passage.

01 Let the noise of the psalm be heard

Read the opening upheaval images and the confession about God together.

Trouble images in the opening

Confession about God

Question raised by an image

02 Follow the presence and the nations

Trace divine presence, the nations and the repeated refuge refrain.

Presence and help in the psalm

Nations or kingdoms language

Repeated refuge refrain

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03 Read "be still" beside the end of warfare

Read the stillness line beside the surrounding works and warfare imagery.

Works named before the stillness line

God's exaltation in the line

Meaning we must not reduce to silence

04 Give attention without promising a mood

Offer a truthful prayer without grading anyone's emotional response.

Our chosen reading practice

Truthful prayer to offer

Responsibility or question that remains