

Family Worship

*Trust not in Princes:
Biblical Wisdom
in the Age of COVID-19*

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Opening Prayer

Our Heavenly Father, thank you for our family.

And thank you for the privilege of coming together for worship.

Help us to understand Your Word and obey it with a joyful heart.

In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

HE IS EXALTED

He is exalted means He is lifted high



He is exalted
the King is exalted on High
I will praise Him
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name

He is the Lord
Forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and Earth
Rejoice in His holy name
He is exalted
the King is exalted on high

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pM3DCuDvafY>

Catechism Time!

Bible truths for teaching children

Question 11

Q: What does God require in the 6th , 7th and 8th commandments?

A: 6th - **You shall not murder** - that we do not hurt or hate our neighbor
7th - **You shall not commit adultery** - that we live purely and faithfully
8th - **You shall not steal** - that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else

God sees our thoughts...

When we hate or are angry with someone, that is committing murder in our hearts (see below for JESUS' teaching)

Bible verse (Matthew 5:21-22)

'You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, "You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment." But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment.

"World Leaders on Covid-19

It's going to disappear. One day, it's like a miracle, it will disappear.



USA
President Trump

It could have gone either way



UK
Prime Minister
Boris Johnson
(Hospitalised for
Covid 19)

Shining
success!



North Korea
Supreme Leader Kim Jong-
un has hailed his country's
"shining success" in dealing
with Covid-19

I was tested
positive



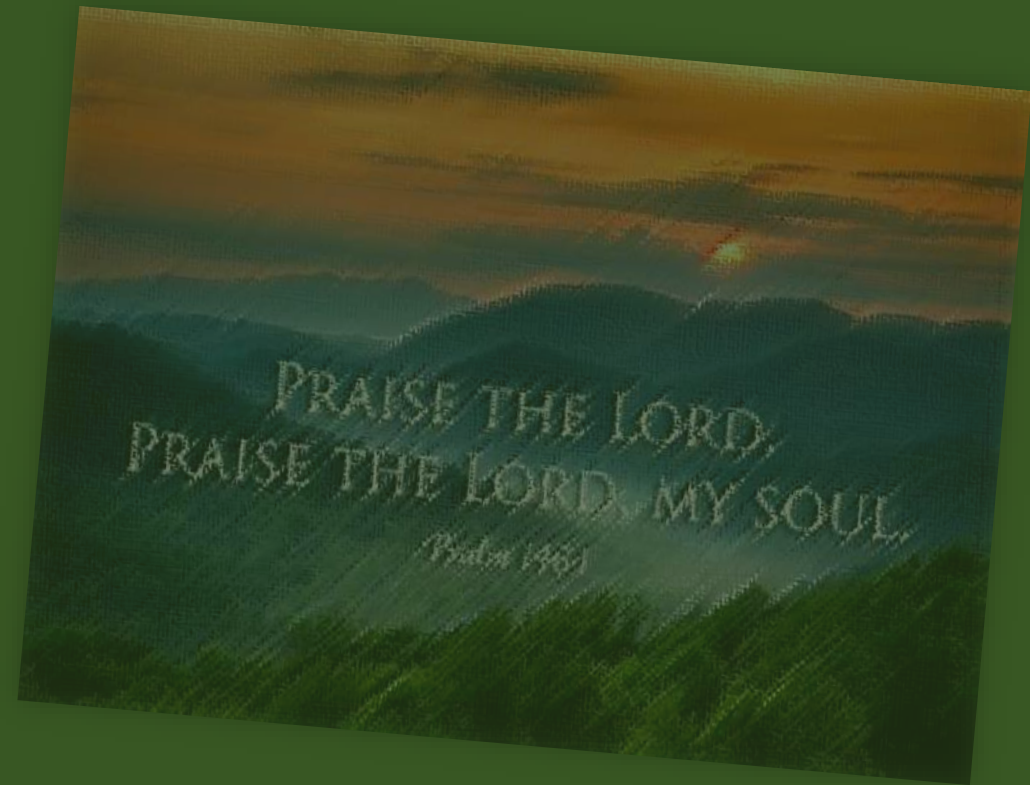
Brazil
President Bolsonaro
tested positive for
Covid 19

Trust not in Princes

Let's read Psalm 146

Psalm 146: 1-4

- 1 Praise the Lord!
My whole being, praise the Lord.
- 2 I will praise the Lord all my life.
I will sing praises to my God as long as I live.
- 3 Do not put your trust in princes
or other people, who cannot save you.
- 4 When people die, they are buried.
Then all of their plans come to an end.



Verse 3: Do not put your trust in princes
or other people, who cannot save you.

Who are the Princes today??



Prince Charles

Prince Harry

Prince William

Prince Nikolai of Denmark

Prince Joachim of Belgium

Prince Charming of Disney

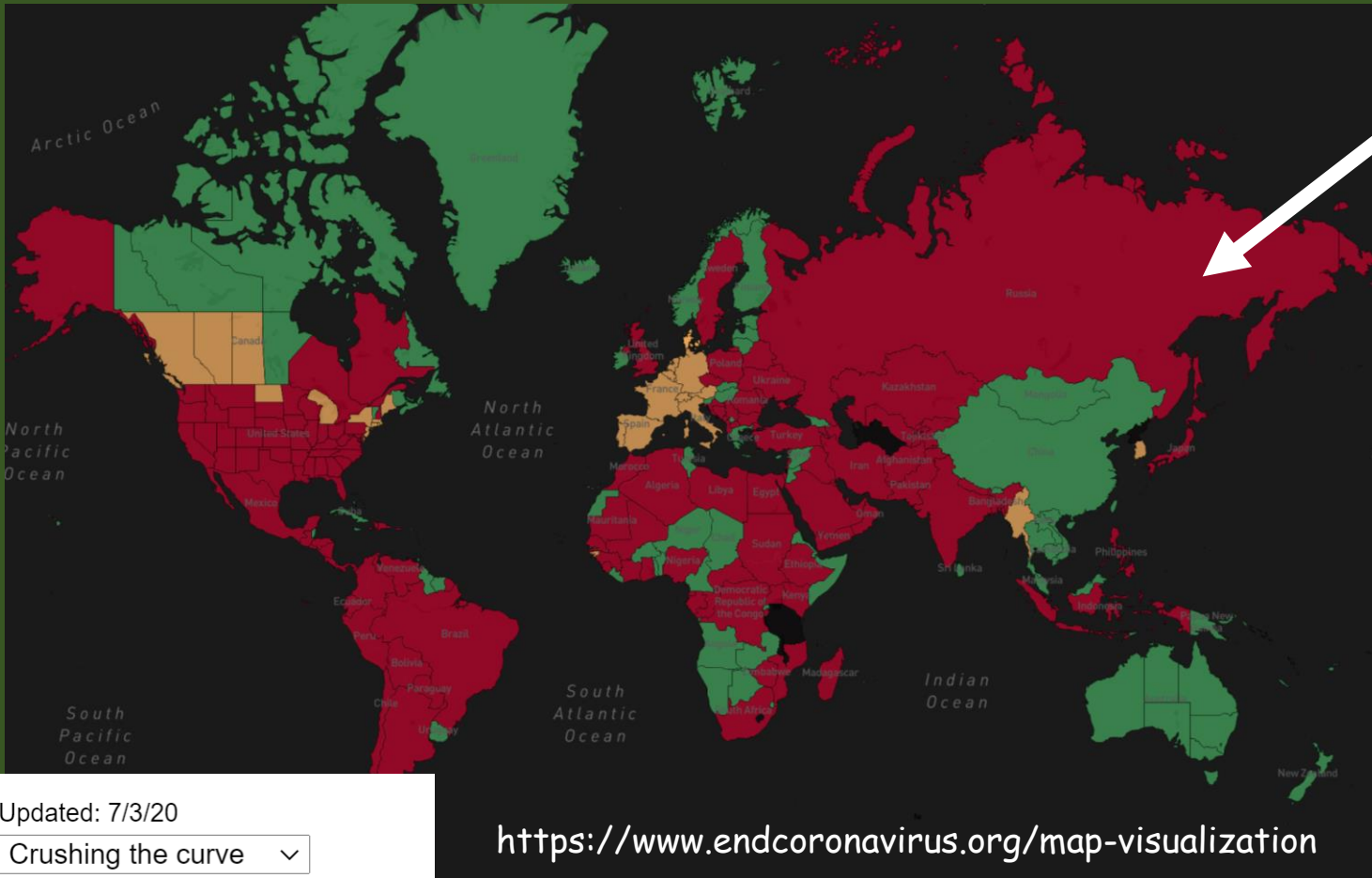


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Actually, the princes in
Psalm 146 refer to
those who rule, govern
or exercise authority
over people, such as →



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- ❑ Red countries are those where new Covid-19 cases are high.
- ❑ Most countries are still red.
- ❑ The Princes of the world have not found a good way to resolve Covid-19

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Let's continue with Psalm 146

Psalm 146: 5-9

- 5 Happy are those who are helped
by the God of Jacob.
Their hope is in the Lord their God.
- 6 He made heaven and earth,
the sea and everything in it.
He remains loyal forever.
- 7 The Lord does what is fair for those
who have been wronged.
He gives food to the hungry.
The Lord sets the prisoners free.
- 8 The Lord gives sight to the blind.
The Lord lifts up people who are in trouble.
The Lord loves those who do right.
- 9 The Lord protects the foreigners.
He defends the orphans and widows.
But he overthrows the wicked.

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Verse 5 says "Happy are those who are helped by the God of Jacob."

Why should people be happy if they are helped by God instead of princes?

(Hint: answers are in the verses)

God is fully capable in helping us because...

(Can you match the verses with the plaques on the right?)

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He is the Creator

He is faithful

He administers justice

He meets our needs

He liberates us from our sins

He makes us see the truth

He delivers us from trouble

He loves us who obey him

He protects the despised

He defends the poor

He overcomes evil

Have you noticed that verses 6-9 actually describe someone you may know?

Psalm 146 Pointed Forward to JESUS Who Fulfilled All These

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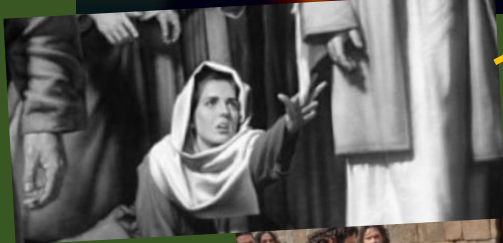
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10 The Lord will be King forever.
Jerusalem, your God is everlasting.
Praise the Lord!



Covid-19 helps us to see that we should not put our hope in humans,

but only in Jesus our God and King.

He is all powerful and all loving. He died for us on the cross and will not abandon us...

Praise the Lord !

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Family Prayer Time

1. Thank God for His Word and help so we may learn from Jesus.
2. Ask your children to pray for what they have learned just now.
3. Ask your family how you can pray for them specifically.

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Saviour
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord all the Earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0FfJ9w1idAc>