The Seventh City Of Refuge

NUMBERS 35:6a

6a. And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites there shall be <u>six cities for</u> <u>refuge</u>, which ye shall appoint for the <u>manslayer</u>, that he may flee thither:

NUMBERS 35:10-15

- 10. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come over Jordan into the land of Canaan; 11. Then ye shall appoint you cities to be <u>cities of refuge</u> for you; that the <u>slayer</u> may flee thither, which killeth any person at <u>unawares</u>.
- 12. And they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the <u>avenger</u>; that the <u>manslayer</u> die not, until he stand before the congregation in judgment. 13. And of these cities which ye shall give <u>six cities</u> shall ye have <u>for refuge</u>. 14. Ye shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities shall ye give in the land of Canaan, which shall be <u>cities of refuge</u>.
- 15. These <u>six cities</u> shall be <u>a refuge</u>, both for the children of Israel, and for the stranger, and for the sojourner among them: that every one that killeth any person <u>unawares</u> may flee thither.

NUMBERS 35:25-30

- 25. And the congregation shall deliver the <u>slayer</u> out of the hand of the <u>revenger</u> of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the <u>city of his refuge</u>, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.
- 26. But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of <u>the city of his refuge</u>, whither he was fled; 27. And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of <u>the city of his refuge</u>, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:
- 28. Because <u>he should have remained in the city of his refuge</u> until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession. 29. So these things shall be for a statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 30. Whoso killeth any person, the <u>murderer</u> shall be put to death by the mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person to cause him to die.

LETTING OFF THE PRESSURE [62-0513E] [GOSPEL TABERNACLE – JEFF, IN] Course, that man would be nervous, my, maybe, a dozen men behind you. Somewhere, every rock, every hill, every bush, the enemy, somebody was standing ready for him. He was nervous. And then when he once got into the city, he could let off the pressure. He was safe. He was all right, 'cause there was a provided place made for him. God's provided way for that innocent man, not to be slain, but could be exempted from the slaying, because he did it accidentally, now, if he didn't mean to do it.

JOSHUA 20:7-9

- 7. And they appointed <u>Kedesh</u> in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and <u>Shechem</u> in mount Ephraim, and Kirjatharba, which is <u>Hebron</u>, in the mountain of Judah.
- 8. And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned <u>Bezer</u> in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and <u>Ramoth</u> in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and <u>Golan</u> in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.
- 9. These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth any person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

II SAMUEL 3:27

27. And when Abner was returned to <u>Hebron</u>, Joab took him aside in <u>the gate</u> to speak with him quietly, and smote him there under the fifth rib, that he died, for the blood of Asahel his brother.

II SAMUEL 3:33

33. And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Died Abner as a fool dieth?

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Joshua built those houses and those cities of refuge, and <u>God built us a city of refuge,</u> <u>that's in His Son, Christ Jesus</u>. "The Name of the Lord is the mighty Tower. The righteous run into it and are safe."

LETTING OFF THE PRESSURE [62-0513E] [GOSPEL TABERNACLE – JEFF, IN] Now, if you want to do right, I'm so glad, tonight, to tell you that <u>there is a city of refuge</u>. <u>That's Jesus Christ</u>. If you don't want to do wrong, the enemy is after you, then there is a way of escape, and that escape is Jesus Christ.

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When a man come in, in the Old Testament; the first thing, he had to come upon his own free will. And that's the way you have to come to Christ.

Another thing, you must be satisfied while you're there. You don't... You can't hang around every day, crying, "I'd like to get out of here. I'd like to get out of here." They'd put you out. You must willfully want to stay. It must be that you must want to stay in that city.

PSALM 9:9

9. The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.

PSALM 46:1

1. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

PSALM 59:16b * To the chief Musician... of David; when Saul sent, and they watched the house to kill him. *

16b. ...thou hast been <u>my defence</u> and <u>refuge</u> in the day of my trouble.

PSALM 57:1 * To the chief Musician... of David, when he fled from Saul in the cave. * 1. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make <u>my refuge</u>, until these calamities be overpast.

* To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, the servant of the LORD, who spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: *

- 1. I will love thee, O LORD, my strength.
- 2. The LORD is <u>my rock</u>, and <u>my fortress</u>, and <u>my deliverer</u>; <u>my God</u>, <u>my strength</u>, in whom I will trust; <u>my buckler</u>, and the horn of <u>my salvation</u>, and <u>my high tower</u>.

PSALM 91:2

2. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

PROVERBS 18:10

10. **The name of the LORD is a strong tower**: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

PROVERBS 14:26

26. In the fear of the LORD is strong confidence: and <u>his children shall have a place of refuge</u>.

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No matter what takes place, <u>Christ is our Refuge</u>. And when we come to Him, we can let off the pressure. You can quit worrying about, "Well, if I die, what's going to happen to me? What's going to happen to the wife? What's going to happen to the husband? What's going to happen to the children?" Just come to Christ, and let off the pressure. All. He give us all things. All things are ours, by Christ, so just let the pressure off, the only one way you can do it.