Our chapter is a fairly short one for the week, but it is loaded with truths that should bring comfort and conviction to the modern day believer. It is fascinating to think that thousands of years have passed since this Psalm was initially composed. In that amount of time, the world has endured many troubles and crises but the guarantees that we find in this passage have proven to be correct! In our day, we hear more rhetoric about the unstable nature of the world in which we live. Perhaps chiefly, we are constantly exposed to this idea that climate change will destroy the world unless WE do something. While it is true that we should care for the creation God has entrusted to us as His image bearers, it is "more true" (I realize that's not a category but it does point to ultimate reality) that God transcends our efforts. Folks, the planet won't end and we won't be exterminated because there is a God who rules and reigns over us! While He is coming again and while He will remake the world (which includes its destruction and reconstruction), creation will always be subject to His Sovereign rule and no one will rip that control from His Mighty Hands.

1. God's eternal reign

- a. Verse 2 is key to understanding our passage
- b. As we consider the beauty of this text, we must note that its promises are grounded in the enduring nature of our King
- c. If there was a prospect of God's death or if there was a possibility of revolution, we would have little peace
- d. Conversely, because God is eternal and mightier than any foe, we can rest in His promises
- e. The world, and all that is in it, is the handiwork of a God who transcends all that we see
 - i. This means that He has demonstrated His power to overwhelm any natural, or supernatural force (no natural disaster, no supernatural coup) will prevail
 - ii. This means that we have no cause to concern ourselves with a transitional leadership vacuum
 - 1. There will never be a moment in which we don't have King

2. God's majestic power

- a. The Bible alludes here flood waters (v. 3) and for good reason!
- b. Water is a most powerful entity in our world
 - i. The ancients feared water, specifically the overwhelming carnage that floodwaters produced
 - ii. More to the point, the Hebrews equated a flood with "the flood"
 - 1. The global flood (occurred in Noah's time) is the greatest example and testimony of God's power and wrath that has ever occurred
 - There has never been a natural disaster that had such dire consequences and there has never been a clearer, more global, demonstration of God's power than the flood
- c. For someone to be mightier than these waters is to testify that there exists One who can overwhelm and overpower even the most severe forces this world has to offer

d. The Lord is mighty! If He is mighty enough to control, and even compel, the flood waters, surely He is mighty enough to control anything and everything

3. God's faithfulness

- a. The mere fact that God is omnipotent (all-powerful) is not enough to calm the soul
- b. Think about this, if God is all-powerful but totally unreliable, then we live underneath the tyranny of an unstoppable force who can rip anything and everything from us at His behest
 - i. What a terrible thought!
- c. Conversely, if God is both all-powerful and faithful to do all of what He promises AND if God's faithfulness to deliver on His Word is defined by the beautiful truths that we have written for us in His Word, then we are in a marvelous and peaceful situation
 - i. Folks, God can be trusted
 - ii. He has promised us (believers) many glorious blessings and those blessings, combined with His power to deliver on them, form the ground of our peace
- 4. So, don't worry when we hear about the world "ending", we serve an eternal, all-powerful and faithful God!