

# When we feel like Running Away

*Psalm 11.1-7*

*John Mark – a deserter Acts 15.38*

## 1. Reasons for us being

### Tempted to Cut and Run, vs 1-3

- *pressure from other people v1*
    - family Mark 3.20-35*
    - friends Mark 8.31-33*
    - foes Luke 13.31-33*
  - *pressure from circumstances v2*
    - being shot at*
    - from the shadows 142.3*
  - *pressure from prospects v3*
    - bleak indeed*
    - foundations being destroyed*
    - what can we do?*
- a bold declaration of faith v1*  
*I've made the LORD my refuge*

## 2. The Truth about God

that sustains us, vs 4-7

➤ **two unchanging facts v4**

**God is holy, sovereign**

**just and in control v7**

**Hab 1.3-4; 2.20; 3.17-19**

**God observes and examines vs5-6**

**actions and motives**

**1 Sam 16.7; 1 Thess 2.2-5**

**upright vs 2,7 and wicked vs 5,6**

➤ **two contrasting destinies vs6-7**

**wicked - will be destroyed**

**upright – will see the Lord's face**

**Psalm 17.15; 27.4,8**

**How can we cut and run?**

**Christ is our refuge and reward!**

**John 6.67-69**