Crisis and Death

A Theological Perspective

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My Personal Journey in the Past Year

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The Widowmaker Heart Attack

Two different views of the same blockage taken during an emergency heart cath procedure during this patient's heart attack.

95% blockage at the beginning of the artery!

Blood supply to this whole area is now compromised!

See how there is a 95% blockage in the main artery that supplies the front wall of the heart (LAD artery). Sometimes its 100% blocked. The whole artery after the blockage now has compromised blood supply and if not treated the front wall of the heart dies with often disastrous consequences.
God’s Presence in Psalm 46

• An *ever-present* help in trouble (v. 1)
• The city of God … where the Most High *dwell* (v. 4)
• God is *within* the city (v. 5)
• The Lord Almighty is *with* us (v. 7)
• “I will be exalted *among* the nations” (v. 10)
• “I will be exalted *among* the earth” (v. 10)
• The Lord Almighty is *with* us (v. 11)
God’s Presence in the Biblical Narrative

Creation

Patriarchs

Tabernacle; Temple

JESUS

New Jerusalem

Eden

Mt. Sinai

Zechariah

Church as Temple

Eden Restored/ Recapitulated
“The aim of God in history is the creation of an all-inclusive community of loving persons, with Himself included in that community as its prime sustainer and most glorious inhabitant.”

Dallas Willard