

Connect

Who was involved in you coming to Christ? Did anyone introduce you to the small group you are joining for Bible study today?

Lesson Verses - Psalm 18 (NKJV)

1 I will love You, O Lord, my strength. 2 The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. 3 I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised;
So shall I be saved from my enemies.

4 The pangs of death surrounded me, And the floods of ungodliness made me afraid. 5 The sorrows of Sheol surrounded me; The snares of death confronted me. 6 In my distress I called upon the Lord, And cried out to my God; He heard my voice from His temple, And my cry came before Him, even to His ears.

7 Then the earth shook and trembled; The foundations of the hills also quaked and were shaken, Because He was angry. 8 Smoke went up from His nostrils,
And devouring fire from His mouth; Coals were kindled by it. 9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down With darkness under His feet. 10 And He rode upon a cherub, and flew; He flew upon the wings of the wind.
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13 The Lord thundered from heaven, And the Most High uttered His voice, Hailstones and coals of fire. 14 He sent out His arrows and scattered the foe, Lightnings in abundance, and He vanquished them. 15 Then the channels of the sea were seen, The foundations of the world were uncovered At Your rebuke, O Lord, At the blast of the breath of Your nostrils. 16 He sent from above, He took me; He drew me out of many waters.

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37 I have pursued my enemies and overtaken them; Neither did I turn back again till they were destroyed. 38 I have wounded them, So that they could not rise; They have fallen under my feet. 39 For You have armed me with strength for the battle; You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.

Study

1. How does the narrative change from verses 13-14 to verses 37-39.

2. Reading verse 39, how did God bring victory to David's military campaign?

3. God works through His people to fulfill His purpose. Who does God use to accomplish his purpose of salvation? Read 1 Peter 2:9; Matthew 28:19-20.

☕ **DISCUSS 1:** How does knowing that you are God's instrument to fulfill God's purpose of salvation, affect the way you live?

🏋️ **APPLY 1:**
What have you done in the past week to work for the salvation of others and what are your next steps? Does anything hinder you from submitting to God's word to bring salvation to nonbelievers?

4. Focus on God's movement. From where to where does God move? Read verses 6, 9, 16.

5. What does God's descension speak of God's character?

☕ **DISCUSS 2:** What sort of mind does Paul say we have in Christ Jesus in Philippians 2:5-8?

🏋️ **APPLY 2:**
What are you doing to ensure that you are a servant of Christ who glorifies God? How are you seeking to serve in your daily life and at church? Receiving God's word today, how would you like God to change your heart?

Share

What passions and gifts has God given you, and how do you think you could utilize those passions and gifts to serve the church?

Grow & Minister

Minister to one another through sharing praise and specific prayer requests.

- Pray for one person's salvation.
- Pray for the opportunity to share the gospel.