

Psalm 18

- v0: To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David the servant of the LORD, who addressed the words of this song to the LORD on the day when the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul. He said:
- v1: I love You, O LORD, my strength.
- v2: The LORD is my rock or stability, and my fortress through military function, and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield who promotes me, and the horn of my deliverance, my stronghold castle.
- v3: I call upon the LORD, who is worYour to be praised, and I am delivered from my enemies.
- v4: The cords of death surrounded me, the torrents of persecution surrounded me;
- v5: the cords of of the grave surrounded me, the snares of death confronted me.
- v6: In my distress I called to the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry for help to him reached his ears in Eternity Past .
- v7: Then the earth reeled and the foundations of the earth were shaken also the mountains trembled and quaked, because he was angry.
- v8: Smoke went up from his nostrils, and devouring fire from his mouth; glowing coals flamed forth from him.
- v9: He bowed the heavens, and came down with thick darkness was under his feet.
- v10: He rode on a cherub, and flew; he came swiftly upon the wings of the wind.
- v11: He made darkness his covering around him, his canopy thick clouds dark with water.
- v12: Out of the brightness before him there broke through his clouds hailstones and coals of fire.
- v13: The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Most High uttered his voice, hailstones and coals of fire. Keeping the fallen angels from me
- v14: And he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; he flashed forth lightnings, and routed them.
- v15: Then the channels of the sea were seen, and the foundations of the world were laid bare, at Your rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of Your nostrils, You held back the human enemy and angelic enemy as well.
- v16: He sent from on high, he took me, he drew me out of many waters through deliverance.
- v17: He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from those who hated me; for they were too mighty for me.
- v18: My own men confronted me in the day of my calamity at Ziklag; but the LORD was my stay.
- v19: He brought me forth into a broad place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.
- v20: The LORD rewarded me according to my super-grace righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands he recompensed me.
- v21: For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God in reversionism.
- v22: For all his ordinances or categorical doctrines were before me, and his principles of doctrine I did not put away from me.
- v23: I was blameless before him, and I kept myself from evil not killing Saul and seizing the kingdom.
- v24: Therefore the LORD has recompensed me according to my super-grace righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyes .
- v25: With the loyal You do show Yourself loyal; with the blameless man You do show Yourself blameless;
- v26: with the pure You do show Yourself pure; and with the crooked like Saul You do show Yourself astute.
- v27: For You do deliver an afflicted people; but to the arrogant eyes You do despise .
- v28: Yes, You do light my lamp; the LORD my God lightens my darkness.
- v29: Yes, by You I can crush an army; and by my God I can leap over a wall.
- v30: This God; his way is blameless; the promise of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.
- v31: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?
- v32: The God who girded me with strength, and made my way BLAMELESS .
- v33: He made my feet like hinds' feet very fast, and set me up secure on the heights.
- v34: He trains my hands for war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.
- v35: You have given me the shield of Your salvation, and Your right hand supported me, and your grace made me great.
- v36: You enlarged my steps under me, and my feet did not slip.
- v37: I pursued my enemies and overtook them; and did not turn back till they were totally destroyed.
- v38: I shattered them, so that they were not able to rise against me again; they fell under my feet.
- v39: For You did gird me with strength for the battle; You did make my assailants shrivel under me.
- v40: You did make my enemies turn their backs to me and run, and those who hated me I destroyed.
- v41: They cried for help, but there was none to save, they cried to the LORD, but he did not answer them.
- v42: I beat them as fine as dust before the wind; I emptied them out like the mud of the streets.
- v43: You did deliver me from contentious peoples; You did make me as the head of the nations Judah and the Northern Kingdom; peoples whom I do not known served me.
- v44: As soon as they heard of me they obeyed me; foreigners submit to me.
- v45: Foreigners fade away, and came trembling out of their fortresses.
- v46: The LORD lives; and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my deliverance ,
- v47: the God who executes for me vengeance and subdued peoples under me;
- v48: who delivered me from my enemies; Yes, You did exalt me above my adversaries; you have rescued me from men of violence.
- v49: For this I will sing praises You, O LORD, among the nations, and sing praises to Your name.
- v50: Great triumphs he gives to his king, and shows Grace and steadfast love to his anointed, to David and his descendants for ever.