

Praise Out of Distress (Part 2)
Psalm 18

God Makes Use of Our Distresses for His Purposes

- So we might better know God, know ourselves, and reveal Him to others

It Is God Alone Who Delivers Us and Defeats Our Enemies – Ps 18:3,17,39,48

- David found unchanging security and absolute safety in God – Ps 18:2
 - ...He is able to clear away every natural obstacle to our rescue – Ps 18:7-19
- David found God to be a personal and active Deliverer – Ps 18:16-19
 - ...He takes delight in our rescue – Ps 18:19

David Exalts the God of His Deliverance – Ps 18:46

- He praises God's enduring security – Ps 18:2,31
 - ...His living presence is a holy constant – Matt 28:20; Heb 13:5
 - ...He stabilizes/secures us in distress – 1 Pet 2:6
- He praises God's glorious perfections – Ps 18:30
 - ...God does what He wills, and what He wills is always right – Deut 32:4
 - ...He perfects/purifies us in distress – II Cor 12:9; Heb 12:2; Ja 1:4; 1 Pet 5:10
- He praises God's liberating victories – Ps 18:3,17,40,48
 - ...God has the final word over all our adversaries – Ps 18:50
 - ...He liberates us in distress – Ps 18:16-19

As a Result...

- ...fearful voices that once ruled are silenced – Ps 18:40; Jo 8:31ff; 1 Jo 4:4
- ...we are lifted up into a new perspective – Ps 18:48; Ro 8:18; 1 Pet 5:10