

2 Samuel 22 - My Rock



Main idea: To rejoice in the Lord who delivers, rewards, strengthens, and exalts His anointed King, seeing how this psalm points to Christ and becomes the song of all who belong to Him.

Read 2 Samuel 22

This song of David is a reflection on his whole life - so look out for metaphors, generalisations and imagery - rather than specific references and events as we have been used to in the book of 2 Samuel. Note it is very similar to Psalm 18.

Delivered from Death (vv. 1–20)

1. Images of God – List the pictures David uses for God in vv. 2–3 and what do they communicate
2. Depth of Danger – How does David describe his situation in vv. 5–7 how does this reflect on his earlier life being pursued by King Saul?
3. God’s Response – What does the cosmic imagery of vv. 8–16 teach about God’s action?
4. Reason for Rescue – According to v. 20, why did God save David?

Rewarded for Righteousness (vv. 21–30)

5. David’s Claim – What does David mean by “according to my righteousness” (v. 21)?
6. How can we be encouraged in our faith - can we say v21-25 of ourselves? Why, why not, how?
7. God’s Principle – How do vv. 26–27 describe God’s dealings with people?

Strengthened for Victory (vv. 31–46)

7. Source of Strength – Where does David say his ability for battle comes from (vv. 31–37)?
8. Extent of Victory – How far does David’s triumph reach (vv. 38–46)?

Exalted to Reign Forever (vv. 47–51)

9. Final Praise – What do vv. 47–51 teach about God’s character and promises?

Reflection & Application

- How does this psalm point beyond David to Jesus Christ, the perfectly righteous King whom God raised and exalted?
- How does knowing that “what David sang imperfectly, Christ sings perfectly, and we now sing in Christ” give you confidence in prayer and perseverance?
- Where in your life do you most need to remember and sing that the Lord is your Rock—your refuge, strength, and coming King?

Pray