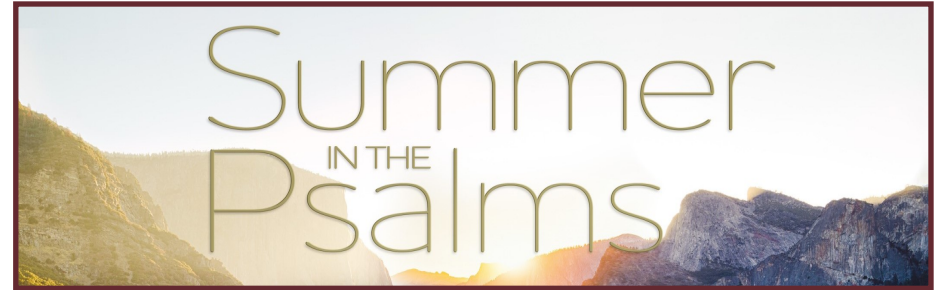


Reflection Questions: How much do I love the Lord? How do I show this on a daily basis? Do I rely on God or upon myself when hard times hit? How has God been a Rock for me? How do I express my gratitude and praise to God? Do I spend time with God in prayer because I love Him or because I want something from Him?

How can we pray for one another and our church this week?



Psalm 18

Sermon
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Quotes to Ponder

*The work of God is for the worship of God;
we are humbled before His power and exalted in His love in order
that we may fall at His feet in adoration.*

Donald Williams

God is sovereign over all affairs. He sweeps even my mistakes, my disappointments, my difficulties, my regrets into the unfolding drama of His purposes.

Alistair Begg

*God's deliverance is always seen most clearly looking back;
Looking forward it is often only seen by faith.*

David Guzik

*Deliverance from sin, deliverance from evil propensities, deliverance from spiritual enemies — each deliverance bears evidence of God's love to us....
How much He delights in you it is not possible to say. The Father delights in you, and looks upon you with doting love; like as a father takes pleasure in his child, so does He rejoice over you.*

Charles Spurgeon

*Habitually turning to God for refuge is the only real support
we have in life.*

Timothy Keller

*What we talk about, celebrate, and trust in reveals what we think is
worthy of praise.*

James M. Hamilton Jr.

Many princes sin with David, but few repent with him.

Benjamin Franklin

1. David's Rejoicing (1-3)

2. David's Reasons (4-45)

3. David's Refrain (46-50)

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you most? Encouraged you? Convicted you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

David's rescue (*verses 7-18*)?

2. Why does the Bible include this psalm twice (*2 Samuel 22:1-51; Psalm 18*)?

How is this truth taught over and over again in the Bible?

What is different in these two accounts?

Read *Psalm 18:20-24*. Is David claiming to be righteous in and of himself? Explain what he is saying and what he is not saying using Scripture.

3. What does *Psalm 18* teach us about God?

What point does Paul make in *Romans 15:8-13* using *Psalm 18:49* and other Old Testament Scriptures?

About ourselves?

In light of *2 Samuel 7:8-17* what is meant by *Psalm 18:50*?

4. What is the main theme or message of *Psalm 18*?

What would have been in Jesus' mind as He sang *Psalm 18*?

5. How does *Psalm 18* compare to these other songs of praise?

What do the following verses say about God being our Rock?

Exodus 15:1-18 —

1 Samuel 2:1-10 —

Deuteronomy 32:4 —

Psalm 78:35 —

Deuteronomy 32:1-43 —

Habakkuk 3:1-19 —

1 Samuel 2:2 —

Psalm 95:1 —

Judges 5 —

2 Samuel 23:3 —

Isaiah 26:4 —

Psalm 27:5 —

Matthew 21:42 —

Read *Psalm 18:4-6*. How does David respond to the threats that face him? How should we respond in similar circumstances?

Psalm 31:3 —

1 Corinthians 10:4 —

What poetic imagery does *Psalm 18* vividly use to picture God coming to

Psalm 61:2 —

1 Peter 2:4 —