

Psalm 18 – I will Love Thee

I will Love Thee O Lord

To the Chief Musician, A Psalm of David the servant of the Lord who spake unto the Lord the words of this song in the day that the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul.

2 Samuel 22

¹ And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

And he said....in a song sung...

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¹ I will love thee, O LORD, my strength.

Love – [OT:7355](#) רַחַם **racham** (raw-kham'); a primitive root; to fondle; by implication, to love, especially to compassionate:

KJV - have compassion (on, upon), love, (find, have, obtain, shew) mercy (-iful, on, upon), (have) pity, Ruhamah, ^x surely.

Strength – [OT:2391](#) צִיּוֹן **chezeq** (khay'-zek); from [OT:2388](#); help:

KJV - strength.

...from – [OT:2388](#) צָקַק **chazaq** (khaw-zak'); a primitive root; to fasten upon; hence, to seize, be strong (figuratively, courageous, causatively strengthen, cure, help, repair, fortify), obstinate; to bind, restrain, conquer:

KJV - aid, amend, ^x calker, catch, cleave, confirm, be constant, constrain, continue, be of good (take) courage (-ous, -ly), encourage (self), be established, fasten, force, fortify, make hard, harden, help, (lay) hold (fast), lean, maintain, play the man, mend, become (wax) mighty, prevail, be recovered, repair, retain, seize, be (wax) sore, strengthen (self), be stout, be (make, shew, wax) strong (-er), be sure, take (hold), be urgent, behaveself valiantly, withstand.

² The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

³ I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

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John 21

¹⁵ So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

¹⁶ He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

¹⁷ He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; **thou knowest that I love thee.** Jesus saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**

Mark 12

²⁹ And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:

³⁰ And thou shalt **love the Lord thy God** with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and **with all thy strength**: this is the first commandment.

³¹ And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

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My Rock

Rock – [OT:5553](#) **צֶלַח** **cela`** (seh'-lah); from an unused root meaning to be lofty; a craggy rock, literally or figuratively (a fortress): **KJV** - (ragged) rock, stone (-ny), strong hold.

Psalm 91

³² **For who is God, save the LORD? and who is a rock, save our God?**

³³ **God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect.**

1 Samuel 2

2 There is none holy as the LORD: for there is none beside thee: **neither is there any rock like our God.**

Psalm 92

15 To shew that the LORD is upright: **he is my rock**, and **there is no unrighteousness in him.**

Psalm 94

22 But the LORD is my defence; and my **God is the rock of my refuge.**

Psalm 62

7 In God is my salvation and my glory: **the rock of my strength**, and my refuge, is in God.

Deuteronomy 32

4 **He is the Rock**, his work is **perfect**: for all his ways are judgment: a **God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.**

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My Rock (cont)

2 Samuel 23

¹ Now these be the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man who was raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said,

² The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word was in my tongue.

³ The God of Israel said, **the Rock** of Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.

Psalm 89

²⁰ I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him:

²¹ With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him.

²² The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.

²³ And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.

²⁴ But my faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

²⁵ I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.

²⁶ He shall cry unto me, **Thou art my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.**

²⁷ Also **I will make Him my firstborn**, higher than the kings of the earth.

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My Fortress

Fortress – [OT:4686](#) מְצוּדָה **matsuwd** (maw-tsood'); or (feminine) **metsuwadah** (mets-oo-daw'); or **metsudah** (mets-oo-daw'); for [OT:4685](#); a net, or (abstractly) capture; also a fastness; KJV - castle, defense, fort (-ress), (strong) hold, be hunted, net, snare, strong place.

Psalm 91

² I will say of the LORD, **He is my refuge and my fortress: my God;** in him will I trust.

³ **The God of my rock;** in Him will I trust: He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.

⁴ I will call on the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

⁵ When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;

⁶ The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

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¹² **And he made darkness pavilions round about him, dark waters, and thick clouds of the skies.**

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My Deliverer

Deliverer – [OT:6403](#) **פָּלַט** **palat** (paw-lat'); a primitive root; to slip out, i.e. escape; causatively, to deliver: **KJV** - calve, carry away safe, deliver, (cause to) escape.

Psalm 91

¹⁸ **He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them that hated me: for they were too strong for me.**

Psalm 91

¹⁹ They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but **the LORD was my stay.**

²⁰ **He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me.**

²¹ The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

²² **For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.**

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⁴⁷ The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.

⁴⁸ **It is God that avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me.**

⁴⁹ **And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.**

⁵⁰ **Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name.**

⁵¹ **He is the tower of salvation** for his king: and sheweth mercy to his anointed, unto David, and to his seed for evermore.

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My Strength

Strength – [OT:6697](#) צִוְר **tsuwr** (tsoor); or **tsur** (tsoor); from [OT:6696](#); properly, a cliff (or sharp rock, as compressed); generally, a rock or boulder; figuratively, a refuge; also an edge (as precipitous):

KJV - edge, ^x (mighty) God (one), rock, ^x sharp, stone, ^x strength, ^x strong. See also [OT:1049](#).

...from – [OT:6696](#) צִוְר **tsuwr** (tsoor); a primitive root; to cramp, i.e. confine (in many applications, literally and figuratively, formative or hostile):

KJV - adversary, assault, beset, besiege, bind (up), cast, distress, fashion, fortify, inclose, lay siege, put up in bags.

2 Samuel 22

33 God is my **strength** and power: and he maketh my way perfect.

Psalm 46

1 God is our refuge and **strength**, a very present help in trouble.

Psalm 59

9 Because of his **strength** will I wait upon thee: for **God** is my defence.

Psalm 59

17 Unto thee, O my **strength**, will I sing: for **God** is my defence, and the **God** of my mercy.

Psalm 62

7 In **God** is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my **strength**, and my refuge, is in **God**.

Psalm 71

16 I will go in the **strength** of the Lord **GOD**: I will make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only.

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Psalm 73

26 My flesh and my heart faileth: but **God** is the **strength** of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Psalm 81

1 Sing aloud unto **God our strength**: make a joyful noise unto the **God** of Jacob.

Habakkuk 3

19 The **LORD God is my strength**, and he will **make my feet like hinds' feet**, and **He will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.**

Isaiah 12:2

Behold, **God is my salvation**; I will trust, and not be afraid: for **the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.**

Exodus 15:2

The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my **God**, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's **God**, and I will exalt him.

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My Buckler

Buckler – [OT:4043](#) מִגָּן **magen** (maw-gane'); also (in plural) feminine meginnah (meg-in-naw'); from [OT:1598](#); a shield (i.e. the small one or buckler); figuratively, a protector; also the scaly hide of the crocodile:

KJV - * armed, buckler, defence, ruler, + scale, shield.

...from – [OT:1598](#) גָּן **ganan** (gaw-nan'); a primitive root; to hedge about, i.e. (generally) protect: **KJV** - defend.

Psalm 18

³⁰ As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is tried: **he is a buckler to all them that trust in him.**

2 Samuel 22

31 As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the **LORD** is tried: **he is a buckler to all them that trust in him.**

Proverbs 2

⁶ For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

⁷ He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: **he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.**

⁸ He **keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.**

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2 Samuel 22

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Horn – [OT:7161](#) קֶרֶן **qeren** (keh'-ren); from [OT:7160](#); a horn (as projecting); by implication, a flask, cornet; by resembl. an elephant's tooth (i.e. ivory), a corner (of the altar), a peak (of a mountain), a ray (of light); figuratively, power: **KJV** - * hill, horn.

...from – [OT:7160](#) קָרַן **qaran** (kaw-ran'); a primitive root; to push or gore; used only as denominative from [OT:7161](#), to shoot out horns; figuratively, rays:
KJV - have horns, shine.

Luke 1

⁶⁸ Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people,

⁶⁹ And hath raised up an **horn of salvation** for us in the house of his servant David;

horn – [NT:2768](#) κέρασ **keras** (ker'-as); from a primary kar (the hair of the head); a horn (literally or figuratively): **KJV** - horn.

Salvation – [NT:4991](#) σωτηρία **soteria** (so-tay-ree'-ah); feminine of a derivative of [NT:4990](#) as (properly, abstract) noun; rescue or safety (physically or morally): **KJV** - deliver, health, salvation, save, saving.

...from – [NT:4990](#) σωτήρ **soter** (so-tare'); from [NT:4982](#); a deliverer, i.e. God or Christ: **KJV** - saviour.

⁷⁰ As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began:

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my high tower – [OT:4869](#) מִשְׁגָּב **misgab** (mis-gawb'); from [OT:7682](#); properly, a cliff (or other lofty or inaccessible place); abstractly, altitude; figuratively, a refuge: **KJV** - defence, high fort (tower), refuge. **Misgab**, a place in Moab: **KJV** - Misgab.

...from – [OT:7682](#) שָׂגַב **sagab** (saw-gab'); a primitive root; to be (causatively, make) lofty, especially inaccessible; by implication, safe, strong; used literally and figuratively **KJV** - defend, exalt, be excellent, (be, set on) high, lofty, be safe, set up (on high), be too strong.

Psalm 144

¹ Blessed be the LORD my strength which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

² My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.

³ LORD, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him!

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Saved – OT:3467 **יָשַׁע** **yasha`** (yaw-shah'); a primitive root; properly, to be open, wide or free, i.e. (by implication) to be safe; causatively, to free or succor:

KJV - ^x at all, avenging, defend, deliver (-er), help, preserve, rescue, be safe, bring (having) salvation, save (-iour), get victory.

Enemies – OT:341 **אֹיֵב** **'oyeb** (o-yabe'); or (fully) **'owyeb** (o-yabe'); active participle of OT:340; hating; an adversary: **KJV** - enemy, foe.

Rock Fortress Deliverer Strength Trust Protector hope lofty place

...So I will love thee O LORD my Strength