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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

GOD TRAINS, STRENGTHENS, GIVES VICTORY
PSALM 18:31–50

Psalm 18 Theme

The Psalmist expresses his gratitude, joy, and praise for the Lord's miraculous deliverance by explaining the circumstances of his distress and the merciful response of God to his pleas for deliverance.

Psa. 18:28, “For You will light my lamp; The LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.”

Psa. 119:105, “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

Psa. 119:130, “The entrance of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple.”

Psa. 36:9, “For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light.”

Prov. 6:23, “For the commandment is a lamp, and the law a light; Reproofs of instruction are the way of life,”

Psa. 18:31, “For who is God, except the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?”

Psa. 18:46, “The LORD lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted.”

Psa. 18:31,

**“For who is God, except the LORD?
And who is a rock, except our God?”**

Psa. 18:2, “The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength [rock], in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.”

***Strength* [boulder, escarpment]**

**צוּר־1 *tzur*-1 comm masc sing constr
boulder, large rock**



Deut. 32:4, “He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He.”

1 Sam. 2:2, “No one is holy [unique] like the LORD, for there is none besides You, nor is there any rock like our God.”

Psa. 19:14, “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my ROCK and my Redeemer.”

Psa. 28:1, “To You I will cry, O LORD my ROCK: Do not be silent to me, lest, if You are silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.”

Psa. 62:2 and 6, “He only is my ROCK and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.”

Deut. 32:31, “For their rock is not like our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges.”

Deut. 32:37, “He will say: ‘Where are their gods, the rock in which they sought refuge?’ ”

Deut. 6:4, “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD ALONE!

Deut. 6:5, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.”

Psa. 18:32, “It is God who arms me with strength, and makes my way perfect.”

חַיִל. *chayil* Might, strength, power, able, valiant, virtuous, valor, army, host, forces; riches, substance, wealth; et al.

Psa. 18:39, “For You have armed me with strength for the battle; You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.”

Psa. 18:33, “He makes my feet like the feet of deer, and sets me on my high places.”

Psa. 18:34, “He teaches my hands to make war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.”

Psa. 144:1, “Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle—”

Prov. 27:12, “The prudent sees danger and hides himself, but the simple go on and suffer for it.”

Psa. 18:35, “You have also given me the shield of Your salvation; Your right hand has held me up, Your gentleness has made me great.”

Psa. 18:36, “You enlarged my path under me, so my feet did not slip.”

Psa. 18:37, “I have pursued my enemies and overtaken them; Neither did I turn back again till they were destroyed.

Psa. 18:38, “I have wounded them, so that they could not rise; They have fallen under my feet.”

Psa. 18:39, “For You have armed me with strength for the battle; You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.”

**אָזַר (*ʿāzar*) to gird,
clothe, to arm**

Psa. 18:40, “You have also given me the necks of my enemies, so that I destroyed those who hated me.

Psa. 18:41, “They cried out, but there was none to save; Even to the LORD, but He did not answer them.

Psa. 18:42, “Then I beat them as fine as the dust before the wind; I cast them out like dirt in the streets.”

Psa. 18:43, “You have delivered me from the strivings of the people [*‘am*]; You have made me the head of the nations [*goyim*]; A people [*‘am*] I have not known shall serve me.

Psa. 18:44, “As soon as they hear of me they obey me; The foreigners submit to me.

Psa. 18:45, “The foreigners fade away, and come frightened from their hideouts.”

Psa. 2:9, “ ‘You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter’s vessel.’ ”

Psa. 18:46, “The LORD lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted.

Psa. 18:47, “It is God who avenges me, and subdues the peoples under me;”

Psa. 18:48, “He delivers me from my enemies. You also lift me up above those who rise against me; You have delivered me from the violent man.”

Psa. 18:49, “Therefore I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the Gentiles, and sing praises to Your name.

Psa. 18:50, “Great deliverance He gives to His king, and shows mercy [*chesed*, faithful, loyal love] to His anointed, to David and his descendants forevermore.”