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## GOD OUR LIGHT IN DEEP DARKNESS

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Psalm 18 is a psalm of thanksgiving. David expressed gratitude for how God worked mightily to grant him victory over all his enemies. He recalled how God delivered him and rejoiced in His mercies.

At the onset, David expressed his love for God. He described God as His Rock, Fortress, Deliverer, Shield, Strength, and Protector. He was confident that whenever he called upon God, he would be rescued by Him (Psalm 18:1-3).

David detailed how God saved him in various times when he was in deep darkness. In his most dangerous days, God spared him from death (18:4-5). David called on God when he was in distress, and God responded by revealing His mighty presence to rescue him (18:6-19).

David, then, explained God delivered him because of the integrity of his heart and commitment to walk in His ways (18:20-24). He asserted God is merciful to the faithful and humble but deals decisively with the unfaithful and proud (18:25-27).

David affirmed God is the Lamp that lightens up his darkness. God's way is

perfect, His Word is true, and He protects those who take refuge in Him. There is no one like the Lord our God. He is a Rock like no other who gives strength to His people (18:28-32).

David further described how God prepared him to face his battles in life. He attributed everything he accomplished and overcame to God. It was God who gave him strength, security, shield, and stability in every difficulty (18:33-45) he faced.

In the end, David offered praises to God for who He is and what He had done. God is a Living God who is actively at work in the life of David. God rescued him from all his enemies. And God showed His steadfast love to David and the generations after him (18:46-50).

Psalm 18 reminds us that God lightens up our darkest nights. Jesus Christ is the Light of the world, and no darkness can overcome His light (John 1:5; 8:12; 14:12:46; 1 John 1:5). In this sermon, we will learn wise responses whenever God allows us to go through seasons of darkness. ✦

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