

Deliver Me
Psalm 25:16-21

A. Overwhelmed (vs. 16-17):

- 1. The Lord promises that no matter who may forsake us, when we trust Him and walk with Him, He will never leave us nor forsake us (Psalm 23; Matthew 28:20; John 15:1-5). He will bless us (Psalm 112; 128).
- 2. Difficult times can make us feel alone, but we must remember that the Holy Spirit lives in us forever (John 14:16-17; Ephesians 1:3-4) and the Lord is committed to guard us with His angels (Psalm 34:7-9; Hebrews 1:14).
- 3. We can feel that God is allowing us to be abused by all that is going on around us. This is not the truth. God refines (1 Peter 1:6-9) and disciplines those whom He loves (Hebrews 12:5-6).
- 4. Because David’s circumstances are getting worse he commands God to take charge by moving him away from all his external pressure.
- 5. *“All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; **yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.**”* (Hebrews 12:11; NASU) *God personally rescues those who choose to live righteous (Psalm 34:19).*

B. Notice Me (vs. 18-19):

- 1. David commands God to inspect all that he is experiencing so that God has a complete intellectual understanding of why he feels lonely, troubled, and afflicted.
- 2. David needs God to have a complete understanding of his discomfort and pain that arises from the weariness that comes from his hard most difficult experiences as he works each day. His work is so difficult. It is not only painful, but it has become a drudgery.
- 3. Living with a passionate desire to walk holy before God should always be present because it exposes our sincere desire to know God. This empowers us to be protected and blessed by God.
- 4. David’s enemies are not just hostile towards him. Their violence is executed with such anger it is extremely oppressive and adversely repulsive.
- 5. David commands God to pay careful attention to him so that God does all He can to preserve his life each and every day so that he can be productive in spite of everything adverse against him.

C. Rescued (vs. 20-21):

- 1. Walking in the Spirit of God (Ephesians 3:16-19; 5:15-18) is our victory because it leads to our protection (the armor of God) since we do not wrestle with flesh and blood (Ephesians 6:11-19). To turn away, because of how we feel, leads to our destruction (Hebrews 10:37-39).
- 2. David commands God to physically remove him from his inner anguish and the violent attacks of his enemies. This is because He trusts God’s love and he expects God to protect Him (Psalm 34:19).
- 3. David makes the decision to decisively put his trust in God believing that God would provide him a place filled with peace while at the same time God fights for him.
- 4. David commits to allow the truth and facts of whatever he is facing to guide him as he seeks to live a life of moral excellence in respect of who God is.
- 5. He commits to also live with the mindset to be decisive about submitting his life to the Word of God. Despite his pain he willfully, intentionally decides to walk with God. This is what trust in God looks like.
- 6. It is the fruit of the Spirit that brings us peace (Galatians 5:22), not responding to the desires of the flesh (Galatians 5:19-21). A person who chooses to respond to all that the flesh is driving them to do, does not experience the work of the Spirit (Galatians 5:21; ‘inherit the kingdom of God is to not experience the Holy Spirit movement in our lives; Ephesians 1:13-14).
- 7. David not only decided to live with integrity and in an upright manner, he also decided to remain steadfast in his faith, while enduring all that is taking place in him and outside of him, with an eager expectation that God would deliver him. He decided to put his complete faith in God despite his circumstances (Psalm 34:1-15, 17-19; Isaiah 40:27-31).

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