

Our Deliverer

Scripture

“May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble; May the name of the God of Jacob defend you; May He send you help from the sanctuary, And strengthen you out of Zion; May He remember all your offerings, And accept your burnt sacrifice. Selah May He grant you according to your heart’s [desire], And fulfill all your purpose. We will rejoice in your salvation, And in the name of our God we will set up [our] banners! May the LORD fulfill all your petitions. Now I know that the LORD saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven With the saving strength of His right hand. Some [trust] in chariots, and some in horses; But we will remember the name of the LORD our God. They have bowed down and fallen; But we have risen and stand upright. Save, LORD! May the King answer us when we call.” (Ps 20:1-9 NKJV)

Devotion

We will remember the name of the Lord our God. This is to be our mantra. Do not trust in the arm of flesh. Chariots and horses cannot save you, but our God can.

David had a wonderful faith in God. He walked some of the darkest paths that any could tread, and he learned to trust in God and not in himself. Circumstances did not dissuade David when he looked into the face of Goliath. When all counted him but a lad, he took a few smooth stones and sunk one deep into the head of the giant.

Let us take courage against the spiritual forces of wickedness in high places. May God open our eyes! “Elisha prayed . . . then the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha” (2 Kings 6:17).

Fear not for our God will answer when we call. He has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you” (Heb. 13:5).

If we fail to trust Christ in our hour of need, where will turn? If we fear man, then we have become ensnared. “Jesus Christ [is] the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Heb. 13:8 NKJV). The same God that led Israel out of bondage, and made His power known, is our God.

“And I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear Him who, after He has killed, has power to cast into hell; yes, I say to you, fear Him!” (Lu 12:4-5 NKJV)

Let us take to heart the twenty-third psalm.

“The LORD [is] my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You [are] with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.” (Ps 23:1-6 NKJV)

Are you surrounded by enemies? Does the valley of death loom over your head? Our God is able to spread out a feast for you to enjoy in the midst of it. Won’t you take your place at the table, and allow God to be your protector?