

## David's Reflection

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- Main Scripture – 2 Samuel 22:32-37 – “32 “For who is God, except the Lord? And who is a rock, except our God? 33 God is my strength and power, And He makes my way perfect. 34 He makes my feet like the feet of deer, And sets me on my high places. 35 He teaches my hands to make war, So that my arms can bend a bow of bronze. 36 “You have also given me the shield of Your salvation; Your gentleness has made me great. 37 You enlarged my path under me; So my feet did not slip.”
  - David is nearing the end of his life and he is reflecting on the goodness of the Lord and all that God has done for him.
  - He discusses how he has had many troubles, but the Lord delivered him.
  - He also talks about how God not only delivered him, but delighted in Him.
    - We do bring the Lord joy.
      - When we praise Him.
      - When we obey Him.
      - When we live for Him.
  - 2Sam 22:1-3 – God is our strength, deliverer, rock, horn of salvation.
    - David says “I call upon the Lord.”
      - He wasn't always perfect, but he had developed a pattern and a lifestyle of calling upon the Lord.
        - We need to commit ourselves to making a habit of calling on the Lord.
  - Verse 22 – David had a drive to keep the ways of the Lord.
    - He chose to not give up, but to stay committed.
    - He recognizes God's power, guidance and faithfulness.
  - Verse 32 – Deep question: “Who is God except the Lord? And who is a rock except our God?”
    - Many other people talk about counterfeit ways to get to heaven and to find God. None of those are real.
    - David asks the question as a rhetorical one... he has realized the answer.
    - He is saying “There is no one else like my God! He is true, faithful and just! He is the Rock.”

- Many may say they don't believe in the Lord, but they follow "A god" (Hollywood, addictions, self, etc.). David reminds us that only the Lord is truly God and nothing else can take His place.
        - We need to just believe God, and take Him at His word.
          - Remember and reflect on who God is in your life.
      - David is speaking as a first-hand witness to God's deliverance, provision, protection, and salvation and he recognizes God's greatness!
        - God is all of these things for us as well, in every situation.
    - Scripture records story after story of God's greatness, deliverance, and salvation.
      - David & Goliath.
      - Joshua and Jericho
      - Moses and the Red Sea (Pharaoh's defeat)
      - Elijah and the prophets of Baal (fire challenge)
        - 1Kings 18:39 – "The Lord, He is God!"
          - Even the enemy can recognize who the one true Lord is!
    - God made all of these and many more possible because there is no one like Him.
    - Verse 33 – God is our strength and power. He makes our way perfect.
      - We can't be perfect on our own, but if we recognize the Rock that is higher, He can make our way perfect too.
- David had a revelation of who the Lord truly is and recognized Him as the one true God, the helper, the deliverer, the rock, the horn of his salvation, and the one who makes his way perfect.
  - Get that in your spirit!
    - Realize that no matter how imperfect you have been/are, God is still faithful. He can purify our hearts.
      - Get His word in your heart.
      - You may have failed, but God redeems.
  - Jesus is the only way to the Father; he is the horn of our Salvation.
  - Verse 34 – "He makes my feet like the feet of deer and sets me on high places."
    - Strange imagery, but with a deeper meaning.
      - Our feet are our foundation, and he's referring to the fact that God gives us the foundation that we need through all points in our lives.
      - Stability.
      - Firm foundation for the terrain.
        - Psalms 37:23 – "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, And He delights in his way."

- Psalms 18:36 – “You enlarged my path under me,  
So my feet did not slip.”
- He makes our feet (foundation) so that we won’t stumble.
- Balance, faster, better climbing.
  - Not physical, spiritually we have a foundation that provides stability to us and God keeps us on paths of righteousness and helps us not to stumble, and is able to pick us up when we fall.
- God has given us the ability to climb higher in Him.
  - Find the high place.
  - Reside in the Lord!