

I. The Necessary Surrender Before the Battle (30-35)

A. Remember the character of your God (30-31) - “This God - His way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him. 31 For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?”

B. Rest in the resources of your God (32-34) - “The God who equipped me with strength and made my way blameless. 33 He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights. 34 He trains my hands for war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.”

C. Reflect upon your history with your God (35-36) - “You have given me the shield of Your salvation, and Your right hand supported me, and Your gentleness made me great. 36 You gave a wide place for my steps under me, and my feet did not slip.” **If you do not have much of a history with Him to reflect upon, view this present battle as the invitation to start a history with Him.**

II. The Undeniable Presence During the Battle (37-42)

A. God provided power for endurance to David (37-39a) - “I pursued my enemies and overtook them and did not turn back until they were consumed. 38 I thrust them through, so that they were not able to rise; they fell under my feet. For You equipped me with strength for the battle.”

B. God provided seasons of reversal for David (39b-40) - “You made those who rise against me sink under me. 40 You made my enemies turn their backs to me, and those who hated me I destroyed.”

C. God provided clear loyalty to David (41-42) - “They cried for help, but there was none to save; they cried to the LORD, but He did not answer them. 42 I beat them fine as dust before the wind; I cast them out like the mire of the streets.”

III. The Song of Praise from the Battle (43-50)

A. David's solidified testimony (43-45) - “You delivered me from strife with the people; You made me the head of the nations; people whom I had not known served me. 44 As soon as they heard of me, they obeyed me; foreigners came cringing to me. 45 Foreigners lost heart and came trembling out of their fortresses.”

B. David's enduring humility (46-48) - “The Lord lives, and blessed be my Rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation - 47 the God who gave me vengeance and subdued peoples under me, 48 who rescued me from my enemies; yes, You exalted me above those who rose against me; You delivered me from the man of violence.”

C. David's intentional singularity (49-50) - “For this I will praise You, O Lord, among the nations, and sing to Your name. 50 Great salvation He brings to His king, and shows steadfast love to His anointed, to David and his offspring forever.”