

Remind my People that I am their Deliverer!

Psalm 144:1-11, “Blessed be the Lord, my rock, who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle; ² he is my steadfast love and my fortress, my stronghold and my deliverer, my shield and he in whom I take refuge, who subdues peoples^[a] under me. ³ O Lord, what is man that you regard him, or the son of man that you think of him? ⁴ Man is like a breath; his days are like a passing shadow. ⁵ Bow your heavens, O Lord, and come down! Touch the mountains so that they smoke! ⁶ Flash forth the lightning and scatter them; send out your arrows and rout them! ⁷ Stretch out your hand from on high; rescue me and deliver me from the many waters, from the hand of foreigners, ⁸ whose mouths speak lies and whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood. ⁹ I will sing a new song to you, O God; upon a ten-stringed harp I will play to you, ¹⁰ who gives victory to kings, who rescues David his servant from the cruel sword. ¹¹ Rescue me and deliver me from the hand of foreigners, whose mouths speak lies and whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood.” May the Lord add His

Blessing to the Reading and the Hearing of His Word Today, In Jesus Name. Amen.

- Talk about the power of deliverance
- The need of deliverance
- The ability of Christ to deliver

1. There are Times in the Scriptures and in our Lives that the Lord Delivers us From!

- a. God delivered the Nation FROM the Hands of Egypt
 - i. Exodus Chapters 1-3 - The Deliverance of a Nation from Bondage
 - ii. Exodus 3:7-10, ⁷“Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings,
⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.
¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”
 - iii. Church, some of you have felt that the Lord is not aware of your struggle and does not care but the Holy Ghost wants you all reminded today that He has seen and He has heard and He has a plan of deliverance! Stand and see His Salvation!

b. God delivered David FROM His Enemies

- i. From His Brothers in his own house - kinsmen
- ii. From Goliath - foreigners
- iii. From Saul, his armies, and even Saul's kinsmen - friends
- iv. From Goliaths' Brothers – foreigners' kinsmen
- v. From Philistines – national enemies
- vi. From Absalom; his own son – problems from within
- vii. Psalm 40:16-17, **“But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the Lord!”¹⁷ As for me, I am poor and needy, but the Lord takes thought for me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God!”** Jehovah Mephalti = The Lord My Deliverer!
- viii. Some of us today have questioned why enemies have been found within our own household, but the Lord wants you encouraged today that every enemy is not the byproduct of anything that we've done. Goliath may have been an enemy of the nation but to David, He was a door to the Throne! And we must learn to discern the difference.

c. God delivered Jesus FROM the Hands of Kings

- i. Christ's Birth and Herod; a prophetic dream delivered the Messiah at the obedience of Joseph - Matthew Chapter 2
- ii. Prophetic insight is being given on how to walk into deliverance with divine strategies and plans. Perhaps one of our most trusted allies is the prophetic and far too many of us view it as an enemy of the church.
- iii. All of us have questioned why the Lord allowed certain things to transpire in our lives; friends, there may be wickedness in the Earth but there is a God in heaven that controls the affairs of men. He is a Deliverer and He is our ever present help in a time of need!
- iv. 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5, "Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ²and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ."

d. And though there are times that the Lord delivers us from, Point #2...

2. There are Times that the Lord Delivers Us In!

a. God delivered Daniel in the Lion's Den - Daniel chapter 6

i. Daniel 6:16-24, ¹⁶Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you!" ¹⁷And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. ¹⁸Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no diversions were brought to him, and sleep fled from him. ¹⁹Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions. ²⁰As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, "O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?" ²¹Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! ²²My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths, and they have not harmed me, because

I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm.”²³ Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.²⁴ And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.”

- ii. Dear friends, the enemies that have sought to destroy you will ultimately be destroyed by the same means they've sought to destroy you. God didn't deliver Daniel from the Lion's den; He delivered him **IN** the Lions Den. And ultimately, the Lions tasked to kill Daniel became the means of death for the enemies of Daniel!

iii. (TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF AND SIT DOWN)

PROPHETIC - Some of you are trying to fight by natural means but the Lord would say just remain silent, remain faithful, and I, the Lord, will handle this situation.

1. Sit down – a posture of rest

2. The feeding of the five thousand – sit down in order then provision came

b. God delivered the three Hebrew men in midst of the flames

i. Friends, these 3 men would have never known that God could deliver in the midst of the flames until the flames had not been extinguished before they were thrown into the flames!

ii. Daniel 3:16-18, ¹⁶Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. ¹⁷If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. ¹⁸But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.”

iii. Whether He delivers us or not, we will not bow! (PREACH)

iv. Sometimes the Lord delivers from the flames and, at other times, He delivers in the flames! Church, He is Our Deliverer in the midst of the flames!

c. God delivered Paul in the midst of being stoned to death

i. Paul would have never known that God could sustain him in the midst of being stoned to death until the stones began to strike his mortal body.

ii. Acts 14:19-22, ¹⁹But Jews came from Antioch and Iconium, and having persuaded the crowds, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. ²⁰But when the disciples gathered about him, he rose up and entered the city, and on the next day he went on with Barnabas to Derbe. ²¹When they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, ²²strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.

iii. Sometimes the Lord delivers from death and, at other times, He delivers us in the midst of our death throws! Church, He is Our Deliverer in the midst of the attacks of the enemy!

d. And though there are times that the Lord delivers us in, Point #3...

3. There are Times that the Lord Delivers Us FROM and other times He Delivers us IN because the Lord wants to Deliver us TO!

a. (Musicians to Come)

b. God delivered the Nation through Joshua from the Wilderness and to the Land of Promise

i. Beloved, it's not enough to be delivered from because the Father desires to deliver us to; to a place, to a platform, to a season, to a point of growth and maturing in the Lord that doesn't begin and end at our deliverance from but rather it quite literally comes to its conclusion in our deliverance to.

ii. Moses may have been used to deliver the Nation of Israel from Egypt but it was Joshua that delivered them to the Promise Land.

c. Furthermore, God delivered the Church from the hands of a volatile society because the Message of the Cross had a global goal and not a local ambition!

- i. Nothing can stop us from our mission! It's a Great Commission for a Reason and it's time to Refocus!
- ii. Church! Kingdoms have crumbled; Monuments will perish!
- iii. The pyramids will melt away; Governments will topple!
- iv. Armies will be defeated! But the Work of the Church!
- v. The Work of the Church will stand while the world is dying, and the moon is bleeding, and the seas are seething, under the whip lash of fury, to spill their dead into the lap of God!
- vi. Church! Men and women will spend the endless ages of eternity in the bowels of a devil's hell or in the pavilion of the grandeur and the glory of Almighty God based upon the actions and the commitment to the Mission of the Church!

d. Dear Friends, God delivered Christ from the Cross and to the Throne of Heaven

- i. What so many noted as the end was just the beginning...**
- ii. And just as with Christ's sacrifice, Jesus didn't die for our sins to simply deliver us from our sins; He died for us in so that through our deliverance from sin, we could be delivered into the Loving Arms of our heavenly father with Heaven as our home!**

Sometimes the Lord delivers us FROM while other times He delivers us IN but He always has a place of Deliverance TO in mind! He is Jehovah Mephalti! He is The Lord My Deliverer!