

# 2 Samuel 22:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

## Analysis

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**And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:**

This verse contributes to the narrative of David's Song, emphasizing praising God for deliverance. David's psalm of deliverance (parallel to Psalm 18) celebrates God's faithfulness throughout his tumultuous reign. The Hebrew poetry employs vivid imagery of divine intervention, warrior language, and covenant terminology. Theological themes include praising God for deliverance, reviewing God's faithfulness in retrospect, the righteousness of God's judgments, and anticipation of ultimate victory through God's anointed (messianic overtones).

## Historical Context

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The historical setting of 2 Samuel 22 occurs during David's reign (circa 1010-970 BCE) over Israel's united monarchy. Archaeological discoveries, including the Tel Dan inscription mentioning the 'House of David,' corroborate biblical historicity. Ancient Near Eastern customs regarding praising God for deliverance provide crucial background. The geopolitical situation involved regional powers—Philistines, Ammonites, Arameans, Moabites, Edomites—as David consolidated and expanded Israel's territory. Cultural practices concerning kingship, warfare, covenant relationships, family dynamics, and religious observance differed

significantly from modern Western contexts, requiring careful attention to avoid anachronistic interpretation while extracting timeless theological principles applicable across cultures and eras.

## Related Passages

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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does this passage deepen your understanding of praising God for deliverance?
2. What does this verse reveal about God's character, and how should that shape your worship and obedience?
3. In what specific ways can you apply this truth to your current circumstances and relationships this week?

## Interlinear Text

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וַיִּדְבֹּר	דָּוִד	יְהוָה	אֶת	דְּבָרֵי	הַשִּׁיר	הַזֶּאת
spake	And David	that the LORD	H853	the words	of this song	H2063
H1696	H1732	H3068		H1697	H7892	
בְּיוֹם	הֶעָלָה	יְהוָה	אֶת	וּמִן	כָּל	
in the day	had delivered	that the LORD	H853	and out of the hand	H3605	
H3117	H5337	H3068		H3709		
אֵיבָיו	וּמִן	שָׁאוּל:				
of all his enemies	and out of the hand	of Saul				
H341	H3709	H7586				

## Additional Cross-References

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**Exodus 15:1** (References Lord): Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

**Judges 5:1** (Parallel theme): Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying,

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