

# 2 Samuel 22:25

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according to my cleanness in his eye sight.

## Analysis

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**Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according to my cleanness in his eye sight.**

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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**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

## 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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<p>וַיִּשָּׁב</p> <p><b>hath recompensed</b></p> <p>H7725</p>	<p>יְהוָה ה</p> <p><b>Therefore the LORD</b></p> <p>H3068</p>	<p>לִי</p> <p>H0</p>	<p>כְּצִדְקָתִי</p> <p><b>me according to my righteousness</b></p> <p>H6666</p>
<p>כְּבָרִי</p> <p><b>according to my cleanness</b></p> <p>H1252</p>	<p>לְפָנֵי גֹד</p> <p><b>in his eye sight</b></p> <p>H5048</p>	<p>עֵינָיו:</p> <p>H5869</p>	

## Additional Cross-References

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**2 Samuel 22:21** (Righteousness): The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

**2 Corinthians 5:10** (Parallel theme): For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

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