

Psalm 18:19

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

Analysis

God brought David out 'into a broad place' and delivered him because He delighted in him. The Hebrew 'merchab' (broad/spacious place) contrasts with being trapped or confined. Freedom replaces constraint. God's 'chaphets' (delight/pleasure) in David grounds the deliverance in divine love, not human merit. This anticipates believers' acceptance in Christ—God delights in us because of Jesus (Ephesians 1:6).

Historical Context

Written after experiencing various confinements—trapped by Saul in wilderness, surrounded by enemies—now free to reign as king in God's blessing.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How has God brought you from confinement to freedom?
2. Do you grasp that God's deliverance flows from His delight in you?

Interlinear Text

וַיַּצְאֵנִי	לִמְרַחַת בָּהּ	כִּי יְמַלֵּץ נִי
He brought me forth	also into a large place	he delivered
H3318	H4800	H3588
me because he delighted	בָּהּ	H0
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Additional Cross-References

Psalms 31:8 (Parallel theme): And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.

Psalms 118:5 (Parallel theme): I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place.

Psalms 18:36 (Parallel theme): Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.

Psalms 40:2 (Parallel theme): He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

Job 36:16 (Parallel theme): Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait into a broad place, where there is no straitness; and that which should be set on thy table should be full of fatness.

Psalms 37:23 (Light): The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.

1 Kings 10:9 (Light): Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and justice.