

Psalm 18:48

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.

Analysis

God delivered David from enemies, exalted him above adversaries, and rescued him from violent men. The Hebrew 'palat' (deliver), 'rum' (exalt), and 'natsal' (rescue) are three distinct salvation terms showing comprehensive deliverance. The 'violent man' ('chamac'—violent/ruthless) may specifically reference Saul. This demonstrates God's multifaceted salvation—rescue, elevation, and protection. It anticipates Christ's complete salvation addressing all human need.

Historical Context

Summarizes David's entire experience from shepherd to king, encompassing deliverance from bears and lions, Goliath, Saul, foreign armies, and Absalom's rebellion.

Related Passages

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How have you experienced God's comprehensive deliverance in multiple dimensions?
2. What aspects of Christ's salvation address your specific needs?

Interlinear Text

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He delivereth me from mine enemies H6403 H341 H637 H4480 above those that rise up H6965

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yea thou liftest me up H7311 man H376 me from the violent H2555 against me thou hast delivered H5337

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 140:4 (Parallel theme): Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.

Psalms 86:14 (Resurrection): O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent men have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them.

Psalms 140:11 (Parallel theme): Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow him.

Psalms 140:1 (Parallel theme): Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man;

Psalms 7:16 (Parallel theme): His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate.