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- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
- Recently – I have written for my “Among Friends” articles – about trust
 - January 18 “Trust the Lord – 2 Samuel 22”
 - January 25 “Trust the Lord – Psalm 37”
 - February 1 “Trust the Lord – Psalm 40”
 - February 15 “Trust the Lord – Psalm 57”
- Last Saturday’s presentation – I gave a presentation titled “Psalm 57”
(covering 1 Samuel 16:1 to 1 Samuel 22:1)
- Today’s presentation – “Psalm 18”
(covering 1 Samuel 24 and 1 Samuel 26)

Psalm 18 Inscription – A Psalm of David the servant of the Lord, who spoke to the
 Lord the words of the song on the day that the Lord delivered him
 from the hands of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul

1 Sam. 24:1 someone told Saul – “take note! David is in the Wilderness of En Gedi”
2 Saul took 3,000 chosen men (from all of Israel) and went to seek David
and his men on the Rocks of the Wild Goats
3 there was a cave – and Saul went to tend to his needs – (David and his
men were staying in the recesses of the cave)
4 the men of David said: “this is the day of which the Lord said to you,
‘behold, I will deliver your enemy into your hands, that you may
do to him as it seems good to you.’ ”
5 afterwards, David regretted cutting off Saul’s robe
6 David did not want to stretch out his hand against God’s anointed
7 David restrained his servants – and did not allow them to rise against Saul
8 David bowed before the king
9 “why do you listen to the words of men say that I seek your harm?”
10 I was in the cave, and someone urged me to kill you – but I spared you
11 see the corner of your robe – there is neither evil nor rebellion in my hand
– I have not sinned against you – yet, you hunt me to kill me
12 let the Lord judge between you and me – let the Lord avenge me on you –
but my hand shall not be against you
13 wickedness proceeds from wicked – my hand shall not be against you
14 whom do you pursue? a dead dog? a flea?

- 15 let the Lord judge between you and me
16 Saul – is that you, David?
17 Saul – you are more righteous than I, for you have rewarded me with good,
 whereas I have rewarded you with evil
18 Saul – when the Lord delivered me into your hand, you did not kill me
19 Saul – the Lord will reward you with good
20-21 Saul – please do not cut off my descendants, nor destroy my name from my father’s house
- 1 Sam. 26:1 the Ziphites came to Saul – isn’t David hiding in the wilderness of Ziph?
- 2 Saul took 3,000 chosen men of Israel to seek David
3 Saul set up camp
4-6 David – “who will go down with me to Saul in the camp?” – Abishai said:
 “ I will go down with you”
7 Saul was sleeping – with his spear stuck in the ground by his head
8 Abishai – God has delivered your enemy into your hand today – please, let me do it
9-11 David said no
12 David took the spear and the jug of water – no one saw them – because a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them
13-16 David called out to Abner
17 Saul recognized David’s voice
18-20 David – why are you coming after me?
21 Saul – I have sinned, return
22-24 David’s response
25 Saul – may you be blessed, my son David – you shall both do great things and also still prevail

Psalm 18:1-50 words of David