

Poems, Prayers & Promises



Psalm 34

Of David, When he changed his behavior before Abimelech, so that he drove him out, and he went away.

- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- 2 My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.



3 Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!

4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.

5 Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.



- 6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.



8 Oh, taste and see that LORD the is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

9 Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!

10 The young lions suffer want and hunger;
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.



- 11 Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- 12 What man is there who desires life
and loves many days, that he may see good?
- 13 Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
- 14 Turn away from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.



- 15 The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous
and his ears toward their cry.
- 16 The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to cut off the memory of them from the earth.
- 17 When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears
and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- 18 The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.



- 19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.
- 20 He keeps all his bones;
not one of them is broken.
- 21 Affliction will slay the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
- 22 The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.



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**Delivered... and
Declaring It!**



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David's

Distress

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(Psalm 34 Title)

David's Distress

◆ The Song

As they were coming home, when David returned from striking down the Philistine, the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with songs of joy, and with musical instruments. And the women sang to one another as they celebrated,

“Saul has struck down his thousands,
and David his ten thousands.”

(1 Samuel 18:6-7)

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David's

Decisions

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¹⁰ And David rose and fled that day from Saul and went to Achish the king of Gath. ¹¹ And the servants of Achish said to him, “Is not this David the king of the land? Did they not sing to one another of him in dances,

‘Saul has struck down his thousands,
and David his ten thousands’?”

¹² And David took these words to heart and was much afraid of Achish the king of Gath.

(1 Samuel 21:10-12)

David's Physical Decision

¹³ So he changed his behavior before them and pretended to be insane in their hands and made marks on the doors of the gate and let his spittle run down his beard.

(1 Samuel 21:13)

David's Spiritual Decision

- 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
- 5 Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
- 6 **This poor man** cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.

(Psalm 34:4-6)

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David's Is Delivered

¹⁴ Then Achish said to his servants, “Behold, you see the man is mad. Why then have you brought him to me? ¹⁵ Do I lack madmen, that you have brought this fellow to behave as a madman in my presence? Shall this fellow come into my house?”

(1 Samuel 21:14-15)

David's Is Delivered

¹ David departed from there and escaped to the cave of Adullam.

(1 Samuel 22:1)

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and delivered me from all my fears.

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(Psalm 34:4, 6)

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His Deliverance

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(Psalm 34:1-3)

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(Psalm 34:2, 4-6)

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(Psalm 34:16, 21)

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(Psalm 34:15, 17-20, 22)

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(Psalm 34:11-14)

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8 Oh, taste and see that LORD the is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

(Psalm 34:8)

Applying the Word



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David

David's Distress

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Believers

Will be afflicted (2 Ti. 3:12; Jn. 15:20; 2 Co. 4:8-9)

Call on the Lord (Mt. 6:13; Heb. 12:1-2; Mt. 7:7-8;
Rom. 10:13; 1 Pet. 5:7)

God delivers us (Jn. 8:36; Ro. 6:7; 1 Co. 15:54-55;
Rev. 20:6)

We are to declare (Php 4:4; Ac. 1:8; Ac. 20:31;
Jude 22-23; Col. 3:16; Ac. 16:30-31;
Mt. 28:19-20)

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