



Bedrock!

Devotion

*And he (David) said, "The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;
The God of my rock; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my high tower, and my refuge, my savior; thou savest me from violence (2 Samuel 22:2–3 KJV).*

What is "bedrock"? Webster defines it as the solid rock, underlying soil, or the base, bottom or foundation.

Many women like to garden. They find consolation, fulfillment and pure pleasure in working in the soil. When you are preparing soil for planting, you may come across a rock under the topsoil. What do you do with it? Often, you toss it aside — it is the enemy.

When we think of God as our rock, we do not throw Him aside, but we do as David did. He looked at God as his bedrock, the One he held on to in victory or in trials and testing in his life. The Lord is his firm foundation.

Notice David's emphasis on the word "is" in the Scripture. (Read the passage again, emphasizing the word "is.")

David often sang to God, both in good times and bad. This particular psalm was sung after God delivered David from his enemies and established him as king over Israel. It is easy to sing after a victory, but it takes faith to sing during the battle!

These words from 2 Samuel 22, which you will also find in Psalm 18, should encourage us in our times of testing. We need to cling to the Lord, the firm foundation when our feet are mired in the dirt. He is rock solid, the one in whom we put our trust. In Him we can safely rest.

Whenever we stumble over a rock in our garden or on our pathway, let us remember David and great David's greater Son — our Lord Jesus, giving Him our thanks and praise as we celebrate our victories, and crying out to Him in our need.

Closing Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, You meet our needs daily, for which we give You our everlasting gratitude. You invite us to bring our distresses to You and promise us comfort, renewal, and new strength. We lean on You, Lord, our solid Rock. Continue to be our Hiding Place, our Refuge, and Shelter. We love You, Lord. In Jesus's Name. Amen.

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