

Finding Yourself in the Psalms
Psalm 18
“God’s Response to Our Affliction”

1-3 Praise

key words of strength

4-6 “What God Hears” A Cry to God for Help

“Heaven’s Emergency Response”

v. 6 is the THESIS of this psalm

7-15 “What God Does” God’s Answer for His Afflicted Child

“The “HE-me’ Psalm” (Scrogie)

The “Daddy” Psalm

THEOPHANY (manifestation of God)

The CAUSE of this extreme response of God is v. 4-6

The EFFECT of this extreme response of God is v. 16-19

16-19 “What it Means to Me” The Result of God’s Answer

The second half of the Psalm is more theological in nature.

What confidence do we have that God will continue to respond this way?

20-24 The CONDITION of God’s Response

God responds to those who are blameless

We understand David’s concern in Psalm 51. “THIS IS REMOVED!”

**DAVID’S FOUR PART TESTIMONY - WHAT GOD DID FOR HIM
MILITARY TERMS**

25-29 God’s POWER (v. 29 “w/ your help I can advance against a troop”)

30-36 God’s PROTECTION (refuge, deer, strength, shield)

37-42 God’s PROVISION (God gave VICTORY)

43-45 God’s PROMOTION (David was granted deliverance and authority)

46-50 PRAISE (same as opening)

“God in the storm” (Scrogie)