

ON DAVID'S HOUSE GOD. OUR ROCK!

2 SAMUEL 22

for <u>Children</u>:

Have a family game night (or afternoon) and play Jenga, or another tower building game. Then read through Luke 6:46-49.

When we do God's will our lives will have a sturdy foundation. We will have a peace in our lives during bad days. We will be able to make good decisions when things don't go the way we expect.

How do we know God's will? By letting God speak to us through His Bible, and by communicating back to God in our prayers. This is how King David came to experience God as his "Rock" & "Refuge." He spoke to God about his day in prayer, and he listened for God's advice in His Word.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE:

"The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer;"

2 SAMUEL 22:2

for the **<u>Growing</u>** Christian:

Read Matthew 7:15-29. At the end of His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus explains the difference between claiming to have a relationship with Him, and actually living out that relationship.

The fruit of others' lives gives us a clue to the current state of their heart, but we should first check the kind of fruit that we are bearing in our lives.

Obedience is doing God's will, and obedience is the test of our discipleship (Read also Luke 6:46-49).

Prayerfully assess the fruit of obedience in your life from month to month, and year to year. From what you study in God's Word each week, where is God's will taking precedence, and where is your will still fighting for control?

For the **Mature** Christian:

Read Psalm 18 (the same psalm as 2 Samuel 22), then compose your own psalm this week! Collect the following parts:

- 1. Your favorite title for God (e.g. Almighty, Savior, Refuge).
- 2. A past event in your life where God's activity was obvious.
- 3. A favorite promise of God from scripture.
- 4. A metaphor that connects with you (e.g. "God, You are like a thunderstorm/farmer/lamp").
- 5. Say "Thank You," and attribute glory to God.

Now put the parts together (it doesn't have to be long, or rhyme). Consider sharing it with a Christian brother/sister, or keep a copy in your Bible to pull out during a future prayer time.

JUNE 2024 GROWTH GOALS

- 👾 Read the Book of 2 Samuel
- \mathcal{W} Memorize one of the weekly memory verses
- Watch the Bible Project video on the Book of 2 Samuel (available on the website).
- Listen to or sing a praise song as part of your private devotion time each week (you may consider lifting your hands, dancing, etc.).

WEEKLY AFFIRMATION:

TODAY I WILL FIND REFUGE IN GOD