

Psalm 18:25-30



Yahweh my God will make my darkness light.

In the Hebrew Bible the Psalms are not only referenced to as songs of praise but are also counted among the wisdom literature. In this portion of the Psalm, David accomplishes both; he imparts wisdom and sings high praise to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. 1 Chronicles 29:12 echoes the praise and captures the very essence of what David has written, *“Both riches and honor come from You and You rule over all. In Your hand is power and might; and it is in Your hands to make great and to give strength to everyone.”*

Verses 25-27

With the merciful You reveal Yourself as merciful; with an upright man You reveal Yourself as upright; with the pure You reveal Yourself as pure; and with the perverting [def. twisted or crooked] ones You appear perverse; for You will save an afflicted people; but You will bring down haughty eyes.

Psalm 9:7-8; 103:19; 89:14; Leviticus 26:21-24; Psalm 17:15; 34:18

Verses 28-30

For You will light my lamp; Yahweh my God will make my darkness light.

For through You I can run through a troop; and through my God I have leaped over a wall

As for God, His way is perfect; the Word of Yahweh is purified; He is a shield to all who seek refuge in Him

John 1:4-5; Acts 26:18; Phil 4:13; 1 Cor. 15:10, Deut. 33:29; Proverbs 30:5-6, Heb. 4:12; Psalm 91:2; Gen 15:1; Psalm 3:3

Verses 25-27 is a wisdom writing; understanding principles of God’s governance.

Jesus explains this principle, in Luke 6:37 and Matthew 7:1-2, *“Do not judge, and you will not be judged.”* *For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven.”* [Matthew: 5:7, 6:14-15]. Our iniquities and preconceived ideas of God sometimes prevent us from seeing God in His Holiness. Samuel said, *“Has the LORD as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams.* 1 Sam 15:22.

- ❖ In the economy of God’s governance there is a weight to our conduct – it is measured and returned back to us. Can you see this governmental principal [consequence] of “reaping what you sow” [good and/or bad fruit] in your life? Keep in mind that God’s intention towards us is ALWAYS for our good. With a fierce love He will resist our pride and wrestle with all that is perverse in us – so that we may become overcomers; dressed in white with our names being acknowledged before the Father and His angels. [Rev. 3:5] Take some time to worship and praise the Lord for His pursuing and faithful love.

Verses 28-30: God strengthens and empowers.

When God shines His Light on us suddenly the things that were in the darkness become lit up and we can see what we are really made of. As we yield to God's light our darkness is made light and we see what we are really made for; to be more than conquerors in His Great name.

- ❖ Take some time and reflect over the ways the LIGHT of God has guided, transformed and strengthened you. Like King David move [continue to run the race] from joyful gratitude for God's faithful presence in your past to now **STANDING AND RUNNING** in a strengthened confidence/faith in God for the future.
- ❖ *"The Word of Yahweh is purified."* This phrase "literally means "tried by fire." It has stood all tests; and has never failed those who pleaded it before its author." [Quote: David Guzik] Is there a "Word of Yahweh" that you need to have proven to you? If so you are invited into the very throne room of God to plead it before the Father.
- ❖ 1 Chronicles 29:12b *"You are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.* Claim this for yourself, your family, your city and nation.

Prayer: Abba Father you have told us that the sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart You will not despise. [Psalm 51:17] Truly You are gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in loving-kindness and relenting of evil. O Lord my God, have mercy on me, Your people. Forgive me as I forgive others. Cleanse me from my darkness - make it into Light. Let my hands be clean and my heart pure that I might see your face. Lord stir my heart to seek first Your Kingdom, for the government is on Your shoulders and I will call upon Your name; Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. [Isaiah 9:6] Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you. [Psalm 89:14]

In You, I will be glad and sing for joy, for You will judge the peoples with uprightness and guide the nations on the earth. [Psalm 67:4] My spirit hears your voice saying to me, Your people, "I have need of you." So Father, here I am. Take the coal, cleanse my lips - send me to open eyes and turn your people from darkness to light. Here I am Lord. Make me a witness and a carrier of Your glory. Amen.

Word from Jennifer LeClaire

"You carry the Kingdom. Release the kingdom into atmospheres around you and watch the darkness flee as the brilliance of My love works through you by faith. Have a confidence that I have called you, I have equipped you and I am sending you—and that **I Am** with you always." For the full word click onto the link below

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