



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: Psalm 18:1-6; 46-50 (NAS)

Topic: "I Love Thee, O Lord"

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- 1 "I love You, O LORD, my strength."
- 2 The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
- 3 I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, And I am saved from my enemies.
- 4 The cords of death encompassed me, And the torrents of ungodliness terrified me.
- 5 The cords of Sheol surrounded me; The snares of death confronted me.
- 6 In my distress I called upon the LORD, And cried to my God for help; He heard my voice out of His temple, And my cry for help before Him came into His ears.

- 46 The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock; And exalted be the God of my salvation,
- 47 The God who executes vengeance for me, And subdues peoples under me.
- 48 He delivers me from my enemies; Surely You lift me above those who rise up against me; You rescue me from the violent man.
- 49 Therefore I will give thanks to You among the nations, O LORD, And I will sing praises to Your name.
- 50 He gives great deliverance to His king, And shows lovingkindness to His anointed. To David and his descendants forever.

I. I LOVE YOU

- A. Other References To This Phrase *Isaiah 43:4; John 21:15-17*
- B. Only Here In Psalm 18 As An Intro. To Prayer
- C. The Intimacy Of These Word

II. A DESCRIPTION OF THE LOVED ONE

- A. Things He Has Personally Seen From God In His Relationship
- B. Separating God From What He Does

III. CONFIRMING OUR LOVE TO GOD'S LOVE

- A. Love In Our Society Is Selfishness
- B. True Love Is Giving *1 John 4:19*
- C. We Give Nothing To God, But Service To Others On His Behalf *John 14:15; Matthew 22:39*

IV. GOD'S LOVE EXPRESSED IN THE CONQUEST OF OUR ENEMY

- A. Hyperbolas Used
- B. Similitude To The Time When Christ Took Our Judgment

V. GOD'S DELIVERANCE

- A. First David
- B. Second Davidic King - Jesus