

**A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART**  
**A Study in I and II Samuel and the Psalms of David**  
 AMEN Bible Study 2014-2015

**David and His Heart: A Song for God**  
 II Samuel 22 (cf. Psalm 18)

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- 22:1           **I. David's Humility**           (Background of the song)
- 22:2-3       **II. David's Head**           ("the LORD")  
           A. Ten different nouns  
           B. Ten repeated pronouns
- 22:4-7       **III. David's Heart**  
           A. Personal           ("I")  
           B. Praying           ("I call/called" 3 times)  
           C. Powerless       ("encompassed, assailed, entangled, confronted, distressed)  
           D. Passive           ("am saved")
- 22:8-20      **IV. David's Help**           ("He")  
           A. Active           ("bowed, came, rode, made, thundered, routed")  
           B. Powerful       ("earth, heavens, smoke, coals, darkness, wind, lightning")  
           C. Answering prayer ("he heard my voice" v.7)  
           D. Personal       ("because he was angry," "b/c he delighted in me")
- 22:21-30     **V. David's Hope**           ("I" again)  
           A. Specifically     (vv. 21-25)  
           B. Generally       (vv. 26-30)
- 22:31-37     **VI. David's Hands**       ("God," "LORD," "he," "you")  
           A. Our work  
           B. God's work
- 22:38-46     **VII. David's Heroics**     ("I," "you," "they")  
           A. Because of what I did  
           B. Because of what you did  
           C. Because of what they did
- 22:47-51     **VIII. David's Hallelujah** ("The LORD" as at the first)  
           A. Rock  
           B. Salvation  
           C. Nations  
           D. King, anointed, offspring  
           E. Psalm 115:1

## AMEN Discussion Questions – 2 Samuel 22

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1. What point in your life would you be most inclined to write a song about and why?
2. What is your favorite hymn or Christian song and why? Is it more “objective” or “subjective” in orientation?
3. Which of the ten nouns David uses to describe God in 2 Samuel 22:2-3 do you most need to remember today? What will remembering it make you **do**?
4. David describes a powerful answer to prayer in 2 Samuel 22:4-20. If you could ask God for one thing this week, large or small, what would it be? Go ahead and ask him!
5. How do you think David could possibly have written 2 Samuel 22:21-25 in view of what we have learned about him in the previous 10 chapters of this book? What are the implications of your answer for your own life?
6. Many of us know Philippians 4:13—“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” 2 Samuel 22:30 sounds like an Old Testament version of the same thought. So, what is one thing you might need confidence to do today with the help of Almighty God?
7. In 2 Samuel 22:31-37 David gives full credit for his victories to what God has done. Can you think of something you have accomplished without God’s help or equipping (cf. 1 Cor. 4:7)? Have you ever thanked him for his help? Why not stop and do so right now?
8. God’s interest in “the nations” (vv. 44 & 50) is not just to punish them but to see them restored to fellowship with their Creator and King (see the use of 2 Samuel 22:50 in Romans 15:9). What are you doing currently to show that you believe in a global God and not just a local East Memphis deity? Do these verses create any conviction in you that you should be doing more?
9. The word “offspring” in verse 51 (literally “seed”) is a collective noun, which is singular but encompassing a multitude. Paul comments on the same word in Galatians 3:16 and shows a link to a rich Old Testament theology starting with the seed of the woman (Gen. 3:15) and running through the seed of Abraham (Gen. 22:18), Isaac (Gen. 26:4), Jacob (Gen. 28:14), Judah (Gen. 49:10, and David (II Samuel :12). Stop and praise our God for this “seed” or “offspring,” which is our Savior, Jesus Christ (Matthew 1:1; Galatians 4:4)!