

*2 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. (Psalm 18:2)*

Regardless of what men think or do, God yet *is*. The Creator is in no wise changed by the foolishness and ignorance of His creatures. His sovereignty is not lessened one iota by their rebellion.

Although He is willing to be all He is to any of us, because of our perversity and unbelief He is usually less to us than He ought to be. Before us are some excellencies God is to those who do truly trust Him.

He is their rock, the solid foundation upon which they trust and rest. Since He does not settle, shift or move, His people are firmly anchored. They are not blown about with every fickle wind as other people are.

He is their fortress. As their sole arsenal, all their weapons, both defensive and offensive are in Him. They rest in Him impregnable and unassailable. He is a permanent and everlasting refuge, a powerful place situated in the midst of the enemy territory which is this present evil world.

He is their deliverer. As such He effectually delivers them from the penalty of their sins and from the sins themselves. He delivers them from their own wicked flesh, from the world and from the devil. He upholds and preserves them from wicked men who would take advantage of their meekness.

He is their God. They worship none but Him. They call nor regard none “reverend,” “worshipful,” or “excellent” but God. As their God, He orders their lives. He is their one sovereign ruler, and they fear nor trust none but Him.

He is their strength. All of it. They have none of their own. Too well they have learned that the arm of flesh will fail. God never does. He is always sufficient, and His strength never wearies or fails. With them there is never an “energy shortage” or “power failure.”

He is their buckler or shield. They hide in Him, and He stops and deflects all the enemies’ assaults.

He is the Horn of their salvation, out in front, clearing the way and pushing the enemy out of the way.

And He is their high tower, the sanctuary from which they look down upon all that would threaten them, and from which heights they have a view and perspective that reveals the final triumph of God and righteousness through Christ Jesus.

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