

## **JESUS CHRIST: THE BELIEVER'S ROCK** (Psalm 18:2-3)

### **INTRODUCTION:**

**A Rock is defined biblically as a symbol of stability, permanence, strength, dependability and steadfastness. As Believers, Jesus is our Rock – we can always trust, love, hope, endure and believe in Him.**

- <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies” (Ps 18:2-3).
  
- (Isa 28:16; Matt 7:24-27; 1 Cor 3:1; Heb 13:8; Matt 16:18)

### **AS OUR ROCK, CHRIST IS:**

- I. THE BELIEVER'S REDEEMER** (Ps 44:26; 78:35; Isa 47:4)
  - A. Christ is the Believer's Redeemer** (Matt 20:28; 1 Tim 2:6)
  - B. The Benefits of Redemption**
    - (Rev 5:9-10; Eph 1:7; Rom 5:17; Gal 4:5; Col 1:18-20; 1 Cor 6:19-20; Gal 3:13; Titus 2:14)
  
- II. THE BELIEVER'S COMFORTER** (2 Cor 1:3-5)
  - A. Christ comforts Believers by providing us with strength, encouragement, peace and hope to deal with our hardships.**
  - B. The more the Believer suffers, the more comfort Christ gives** (Ps 34:17-20; 46:1)
  - C. Jesus visited the sisters, Mary and Martha, who were mourning the death of their brother Lazarus** (John 11:1-45).
  - D. In John 14, Christ informed His Disciples that He would soon be going away** (John 14:1-3).
  
- III. THE BELIEVER'S PROVIDER** (Matt 6:33; Phil 4:19)
  - A. Christ is the Provider of Physical Needs – Food and Clothing** (Matt 15:13-21; Gen 3)
  - B. Jesus is the Provider of Rest for His People** (Ps 23:2; Matt 11:28-30)
  - C. Jesus is the Provider of Direction** (Ps 37:23-24; 40:2; Prov 20:24)
  - D. Jesus is the Provider of Grace – His Undeserved Favor**
  - E. Jesus is the Provider of a way to escape when we face Temptation** (1 Cor 10:13; Matt 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13; Ps 119:9-11; Ps 121:7).

### **CONCLUSION:**

- A. As Our Rock, Christ is the Believer's – Redeemer, Comforter and Provider.**
- B. My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less**
- C. ABC's of Salvation** (Rom 3:23; Eph 2:8-9; Rom 5:8; 1 Cor 15:3-4; Rom 10:9-13)

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).