

Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done,  
the things you planned for us. None can compare with you;  
were I to speak and tell of your deeds,  
they would be too many to declare.

*Psalm 40:5 NIV*



**BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH**

Service of  
**Worship & Communion**

Sunday, 4 August, 2019

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

# My Help, My Deliverer, My God

*“<sup>17</sup> But I am poor and needy; Yet the Lord thinks upon me. You are my help and my deliverer; Do not delay, O my God.” (Psalm 40:17)*

This is the last verse of Psalm 40 – A Psalm of David. David was king of Israel. God called him a man after mine own heart. Everything he wanted he was given. But David confesses, here in verse 17, that he is poor and needy. He is poor and in need of the Lord spiritually. And if we examine ourselves, we can also see that we are poor and needy. The lifestyles we lead tend to put us in positions of working multiple jobs, always running here and there for this or that, and causes us to not always put the Lord first as we should. I sometimes go into the store with a list of the things I need, and a tract; intending to give it to someone or leave it in the rest-room. As I go through the store getting my things, I forget about the tract. I leave the store, drive home, and that’s when I remember the tract. If I was to put the Lord’s work first, give someone the tract first, and then shop, I know I would not forget. David said that even though he was poor and needy, the Lord was thinking about him.

## **1) The Lord is my Help.**

Remember the conversation David had with Goliath...

*“<sup>43</sup> So the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. <sup>44</sup> And the Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field!”*

*<sup>45</sup> Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup> This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.” (1Samuel 17:43-46)*

## **2) The Lord is my Deliverer.**

*“<sup>8</sup> Then Saul called all the people together for war, to go down to Keilah to besiege David and his men.*

*<sup>9</sup> When David knew that Saul plotted evil against him, he said to Abiathar the priest, “Bring the ephod here.”<sup>10</sup> Then David said, “O Lord God of Israel, Your servant has certainly heard that Saul seeks to come to Keilah to destroy the city for my sake.<sup>11</sup> Will the men of Keilah deliver me into his hand? Will Saul come down, as Your servant has heard? O Lord God of Israel, I pray, tell Your servant.” And the Lord said, “He will come down.”*

*<sup>12</sup> Then David said, “Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul?” And the Lord said, “They will deliver you.”*

*<sup>13</sup> So David and his men, about six hundred, arose and departed from Keilah and went wherever they could go. Then it was told Saul that David had escaped from Keilah; so he halted the expedition.*

*<sup>14</sup> And David stayed in strongholds in the wilderness, and remained in the mountains in the Wilderness of Ziph. Saul sought him every day, but God did not deliver him into his hand.” (1Samuel 23:8-14)*

## **3) The Lord is my God.**

*“<sup>5</sup> My soul, wait silently for God alone, For my expectation is from Him.<sup>6</sup> He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be [b]moved.<sup>7</sup> In God is my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, And my refuge, is in God.*

*<sup>8</sup> Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah” (Psalm 62:5-8)*

David confessed that the Lord was his help, his deliverer, and his God. King David trusted in the Lord. Jesus said...

*<sup>5</sup> “I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)*

Maybe if we put God first we could accomplish something. Something like getting our lives simplified, and getting in a position to serve the Lord faithfully. Or we could stay stuck in the same old rut. The Lord wants what is best for us. Do we want what is best for us? The best place to be is in the middle of God’s will. The Lord will be your help, your deliverer, and your God.

# Order of Service

August 4, 2019, 10:40 a.m.

**"...my Help and my Deliverer..."** *Ps. 40:17b*

Opening Song – Berean Choir

Invocation

1st Scripture Reading – Psalm 40

Hymn 805 – Because He Lives

Hymn 711 – When He Cometh (children)

Hymn 789 – Hallelujah For The Cross

Prayer

Notices & Offering

Ministry of Music – Berean Choir

Hymn 33 – A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Sermon – Rev. Dr. Benson Hull

Hymn 517 – I Am Resolved

Distribution of Elements

Special Offering

2nd Reading – Colossians 1: 9-14

Sis. Joy Banfield

Special Music – Cecile Reid & Ezra Gilbert

Benediction – Berean Choir



## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Thank God for His continuous goodness to us personally and collectively
- Thank God for spiritual, emotional and physical healing of our members
- For God's guidance for the board and congregation in the selection of the replacement pastor
- For miraculous results from our Evangelism ministry
- For the leadership, teachers and programs of the Sunday School
- For protection over our children during their summer holiday
- Thanks for a successfully concluded VBS and Camp 'DISCOVERY'
- For assistance for CEF Summer Camp outreach efforts.
- For the Gideons and ISIVCF ministries
- For the economic recovery of our country
- For the peace of Jerusalem

## August Birthdays

1st – Michelle Knight

– Louise Moore

3rd – Deirdre Boyce

– Audrey Lloyd

11th – Bernadette Holder

13th – Chad James

13th – Michael Patrick

14th – Steve Brewster

18th – Jean Slocombe

19th – Jean Connell

– Patricia Gaskin

21st – Celeste Porte

23rd – Nicholas Williams

24th – Monica Crawford

25th – Raymond Wallace

27th – Tyrone Lowe

30th – Cynthia Lindsay

– Johan Rogers

## Anniversaries

2nd – Owen & Jenny Thompson

– Lorna & George Ward

4th – Raymond & Joy Wallace

11th – Stephen & Betty Mendes

21st – Joyce & Robert Belgrave

27th – Richard & Brigette James

Dacre & Pearlita Franklin