

# David encouraged himself in the Lord his God (Quality: Good)

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- [ 0 : 00 ] First book of Samuel, in the 30th chapter and at the 6th verse. The first book of Samuel, chapter 30 and at verse 6.
- And David was greatly distressed. For the people spake of stoning him because the soul of all the people was grieved.
- Every man for his sons and for his daughters. But David encouraged himself in the Lord his God.
- It is the opening and the closing praises of this verse. To which I particularly call attention. Standing as they do in close relationship and yet in close contrast.
- And David was greatly distressed. But David encouraged himself in the Lord his God.
- [ 1 : 19 ] The kind of situation that many a Christian man finds himself in from time to time. At one and the same moment.
- Greatly distressed. Greatly encouraged. Or as the Hebrew reads. Not so much encouraged as strengthened.
- A strength that produces encouragement. Very often Christian people find that things are black and bright.
- Not by turns. Not by turns. But both at once. That was David's experience in this case. Let us see what it has to say to us.
- David was greatly distressed. But David encouraged. Strengthened himself. Strengthened himself. In the Lord his God.
- [ 2 : 32 ] The first thing that I would set before you. Is this fact that. David's experience shows us that God's people are not exempt.
- Or accepted. Or accepted. From. The common distresses. And ills. And sorrows. Of human life. And I would lay that down as a proposition.
- God's people. Christian people are not. By reason of the fact that they are Christian people. Automatically. Exempt. From the ordinary ills.
- And distresses and troubles. Of human life. At this moment. David. Was called.
- And was chosen. By God. But he was not yet king. He had a measure of experience. As a servant of the Lord.
- [ 3 : 31 ] But he was still. A relatively young man. Saul. Was still on the throne. David. Was Saul's lieutenant.
- In the army. Of Israel. And here. In this situation. The account of which. We read in the 29th chapter. Not for the first time.
- It may be said. David finds himself. Frustrated. By the turn of events. He finds himself. Distressed. By his own personal.

And family circumstances. He finds himself. Therefore. As a result. Baffled. By the apparent.

Inconsistence. Of it all. Why should this happen. To him. Why should this kind of thing.

[ 4 : 29 ] Happen to any truly. Christian man. Are not God's people. Chosen. Before the foundation. Of the world. Are they not loved. With an everlasting love. Are they not placed. Into Christ. And brought. Into an inheritance.

Incorruptible. And undefiled. And that. Fadeth. Not away. Are they not more. Than conquerors. Through him. That love. Indeed.

They are. And yet. David. Greatly. Discussed. And that is something.

I surmise. That. Almost every one of us here. Today. Who is a Christian. Would have. To say. Is something.

[ 5 : 26 ] That we know something about. I lay it down. As a. Basic principle. That will help us. Very greatly.

In our understanding. Of life's distresses. That God does not. Exempt. His people. From the common. Troubles. And sorrows. Of life.

Beware. My friends. The people. Within Christendom. Who promise you. That if only. You become a Christian. Or if only.

You are a certain. Kind of Christian. Or if only. As a Christian. You do this. Or that. You'll never have to face. Illness.

Or sorrow. Or family trouble. Or any of those. Things. That fall upon men. As men. Those black. Sorrows.

[ 6 : 22 ] That bow. The spirit. To the ground. People who promise that. Promise what they can't perform. People who promise that.

Promise what your God. And heavenly father. Never undertook. To do. For you. For you. If their theory were right.

The most godly. Would be the most immune. From natural sorrows. And troubles. And yet. The testimony of scripture.

The testimony of Christian. Biography. That it may be. I know not. It may be. The testimony of your own heart. Would be. The more you have known.

Of the Lord. The more. The floodgates. Of sorrow. In a natural sense. Have been opened. Upon you.

[ 7 : 22 ] Here is David. A man. After God's. Own heart. What greater tribute. To a Christian man. Could be paid than that.

Here is a man. After God's own heart. And he's. Greatly. Distressed. You're a beast. And you've been.

Tempted to think. That you're. The only one. Ever to walk. Such a path. Here is a man. Before you. This morning. Who's walked.

That path. Now let me. Unfold this matter. A little further. God. Does not. Automatically. And mechanically.

Exempt. Christian people. From the natural. Sorrows. And troubles. Of mortal life. Notice. In the case. Of David. That this is so.

[ 8 : 19 ] In spite. Of David's. Obedience. To God. When. God. Called. David. From his shepherding.

To. Become. A courtier. It's my natural. Inclination. Or. A. A. It's a better.

Economic. Proposition. That's. Where I want. To be. God. Called. David. From keeping. The sheep. To a place.

In the court. Of Saul. David. Obeyed. David. Went. Saul's court. And yet. While in natural terms.

It must have seemed. Seemed. And does seem. A grand promotion. From wandering. The hills. With a flock. Of sheep.

[ 9 : 16 ] To a place. In a royal. Court. A royal. House. It was natural. Promotion. But. Saul's court. Was a treacherous. Place. For any man. To be.

That. Philip. Who. Hid. Javelins. Under his. Ceremonial. Robes. And hurled them. At people.

In his audience. Chamber. Against whom. He happened. To take it. It's like. Saul's court. Was not. Exactly. A safe place. David.

Discovered it. And David. Was subjected. To it. But after. The first. Experience. David.

Didn't turn around. And say. Well that's a risk. I'm not prepared. To take. I'm back. To my sheep. God. Put him there. And David. Stay.

[ 10 : 16 ] Or again. When God. When God. Caused the heart. Of every man. In Israel. To fail. For fear. Of Goliath. Of God.

Every man. That is. Except one. And that man. David. David. Didn't. Shirk. The situation. The honor.

Of his God. Was at stake. He obeyed. My friends. If. To be. Obedient. To the heavenly vision.

Is the way. To find. Natural. Mortal. Life. Easy. Then David. Should never. Have been. In any distress. At all. Obedience.

Is. A path. Of blessing. Obedience. Can be. A path. Of blessing. But it. Isn't. A mechanical. Guarantee. That mortal. Circumstances.

[ 11 : 12 ] And human. Life. Will be. Plain. And easy. And straightforward. Obedient. And yet.

David. Was. Greatly. Distressed. Or again. Let me put it. Like this. Still.

Pressing. This point. That God. Does not. Exempt. His people. From the common. Troubles. Of life. You will see. That David's. Distress. Is also.

In spite. Of his. Evident. Faithfulness. To God. I am not. Implying. That David.

That David. Was a perfect man. Who never. Failed. Who never. Sinned. But how. Do you. Account. For the fact.

[ 12 : 06 ] That David. Stayed. In. Saul's. Court. Which was. Corrupt. Which was. Wretched. Which was. Dangerous. Which in many. Respects. Was evil.

And profane. How do you. Explain. The fact. That he. Stayed. There. Except. That he. Knew. That God. Put him. There. And he. Was. Faithful. To God's.

Call. The profanity. And the wickedness. His soul. Hated. He. Would. Gladly. Have. Turned. His. Back. On it. And gone. Back. To the hills. And the sheep. The bleating.

Of the sheep. Would have been. Music. In his ears. Many. A time. In his experiences. Within. Saul's. Court. God.

Put him. There. And David. Was not only. Obedient. He was. Faithful. To God's. Call. Faithful. But. Also. Greatly.

[ 13 : 02 ] Distressed. Or. Again. I put it. Like this. Still.

Stressing. This fact. That God. Does not. Automatically. Or. Mechanically. Exempt. His people. From. Natural. Sorrows. Observe. The fact.

That David. Came. Into. This. Bitter. Experience. In spite. Of. His. Zeal. For. God. And. The things. Of. David's.

Was. A. Warm. Hearted. Religion. David. Was. No. Cold. Hearted. Servant. Heart. And. Soul. Were. Bent. On. God's.

Cause. And. God's. Glory. The. Fervor. Of. His. Youth. The. Ardor. Of. His. Faith. The. Flame. Of. His. Devotion. The. Passion. Of. His. Warm.

[ 13 : 54 ] Hearted. Spirit. All. Ran. Out. In. An. Amazing. Zeal. For. God. Zeal. According. To. Knowledge. Zeal.

According. To. Understanding. And. Yet. To. David's. Great. Zeal. There. Was. Added. Great.

Distress. God. Does. Not. Automatically. Exempt. His. People. However.

Obedient. However. Faithful. However. Zealous. In. His. Name. And. His. Cause. He. Does. Not. Automatically. Exempt. His. People. From. The. Troubles. And. The. Sorrows.

That. Pertain. To. Natural. Mortal. Life. Let. Us. Then. Endeavor.

[ 14 : 48 ] To. Learn. The. Lesson. Of. These. Things. First. Of. All. I. Would. Put. It. Like. This. And. Say. What.

Is. The. Reason. That. A. Christian. Man. Obeys. God. And. Is. Faithful. To. God. And. Loves. God. The.

Reason. Why. A. Christian. Man. Obeys. God. And. Is. Faithful. To. God. And. Loves. God. With. All. His. Heart. And. Soul. Is. Is. Is. Is. Is. God. Is. His. God. And. God.

Is. That. God. Is. The. Right. To. Require. These. Things. Of. His. People. We. Are. Wrong. If.

We. Think. If. We. Allow. Ourselves. Even. To. Begin. To. Think. That. Obedience. And. Faithfulness. And. Zeal. On. The. Part. Of. A. Christian.

[ 15 : 46 ] Man. Is. Some. Kind. Of. A. Bait. Some. Kind. Of. An. Inducement. Some. Kind. Of. A. Persuasive. To. God. To.

Do. Certain. Things. For. His. People. That. He. Has. Never. Promised. To. Do. There. No. Mechanical. Connection. Between.

Our. Response. To. Him. In. Those. Things. And. What. He. Does. With. Us. In. Natural. Things. God. Is. Not. A. Pagan. Deity.

Whose. Favor. Has. To. Be. Bought. With. Sops. And. Persuasives. And. Inducement. We. Don't.

Love. Him. To. Get. Something. From. Him. We. Love. Him. Because. We. Have. Got. Something. From. Him. We. Love. Him. Because. He. First. Loved. Us. And. We. Can't.

[ 16 : 38 ] Help. Ourselves. Loving. Him. In. Return. We. Don't. Obey. His. Commands. In. Order. To. Drag.

Something. Out. Of. Him. That. He. Has. Never. Promised. To. Give. We. Obey. Him. Because. We. See. Who. He. Is. Because. We. Know. Who. He. Is. Because. We. Recognize.

That. What. He. Requires. Is. Right. And. Good. To. His. Glory. And. To. Our. Blessing. We. Are. Not. Faithful.

To. That. Degree. To. Which. We. Are. Faithful. To. His. Call. To. Us. Each. In. Our. Particular. Calling. And. Station. We. Are. Not. Faithful. In. Order. To. Persuade. Him. To.

- Do. That. Which. He. Has. Never. Promised. To. Do. But. Because. Because. We. Love. Him. We. Will. Do.
- [ 17 : 32 ] That. Which. Pleases. It's. Spiritually. Unhealthy. Indeed. It is. An. Unchristian. Thing. If. We. Let. Ourselves.
- Ever. Get. To. The. Point. Where. We. Regard. The. Degree. Of. Our. Christian. Standing. Or. Service. As. The. Means. Or. The. Measure.
- Of. The. Lord's. Exemption. Of. Us. From. The. Common. Ills. And. Troubles. Of. Life. Something. I. Repeat. That.
- He. Has. Never. Promised. To. Do. Then. I. Think. Another. Lesson. We. Need. To. Learn. From. This.
- Is. To. Understand. Clearly. And. Plainly. That. The. Common. Ills. And. Sorrows. Of. Life. Are. Not. Necessarily. Signs.
- [ 18 : 28 ] Of. God's. Displeasure. With. His. People. They. Are. Not. Necessarily. Judicial. Punishments. At.
- All. God. Does. Punish. His. People. God. Does. Discipline. His. People. God. Does. Sometimes. Judicially. Bring. A. Sense. Of. Desertion.
- Into. The. Soul. And. The. Heart. And. The. Understanding. Of. His. People. But. I. Repeat. That. As. A. General. Rule. The. Common. Ills. And. Sorrows.
- Of. Natural. Life. Which. Afflict. The. People. Of. God. Are. Not. Normally. Judicial. Punishments. When.
- These. Things. Come. Upon. God's. People. They. May. Know. That. God. Will. Use. Them. For. Their. Blessing. We.
- [ 19 : 21 ] Know. That. All. Things. Work. Together. For. Good. Everything. He. Does. He. Shall. Prosper. Now. The. Good. More. Ill. Can.
- Come. But. God. Will. Use. It. For. The. Sanctification. Of. His. People. But. A. Common. Distress. A. Common. Illness.
- A. Common. Sorrow. That. Is. To. Say. A. Sorrow. Or. A. Trouble. That. Is. Common. To. All. Humanity. When. It. Comes. To. A. Christian. Man. Is. Not. Usually. A. Special.
- And. Particular. Judgment. Of. God. And. So. In. That. Situation. It. Is. Wise. And. It. Is. Right. And. Is. Is. Good. For. Us. To. Stop. And. Examine. Our.
- Relationship. With. God. And. Ask. The. Question. Now. What. Is. God. Saying. To. Me. Through. This.
- [ 20 : 16 ] Thing. Now. Surely. This. Proposition. Is. Proved. To. Be. Right. By. The. Fact. That. Exactly. The.
- Same. Common. Troubles. Fall. On. Non. Christians. As. Upon. Christians. A. Man. Who. Has.
- A. Weak. Constitution. Or. Physique. Will. Naturally. Be. Prone. To. Illness. Whether. He's. A. Christian. Or. A. Non. Christian. His.
- Christian. Status. Does. Not. Normally. Alter. That. Fact. A. Man. Who. Is. Foolish. And. Goes. Out. Into. The. Cold. Insufficiently.
- Improperly. Clad. In. Winter. Weather. Need. Need. Be. Surprised. If. He. Takes. Cold. If. Nothing. Worse. Whether. He's. A. Christian. Or. A. Non. Christian. The.
- [ 21 : 10 ] Processes. Of. Life. Resulting. From. The. Fall. Are. Common. Men. To. Men. And. There. Are. Defects. Of. Human.

Nature. That. Work. Out. Their. Course. In. A. Man. And. Bring. Consequent. Troubles.  
And. Sorrows. Sorrows. Whether. A. Man. Is. A. Christian. Or.

Not. These. Things. Are. The. Lot. Of. All. Men. They. Are. Therefore. Not. Necessarily.  
God.

Of. His. People. So. I. Submit. That. David. Shows. Us. That. We. As. Christians. Are.  
Not. Exempt. We. Are. Not. Promised. That. These. Things. Will. Never. Happen. We.  
Must. Persevere. In. Our. Life. In.

[ 22 : 03 ] Spite. Of. Them. We. Mustn't. Blame. God. Nor. May. We. Overs. Sensitive. See. Them.  
As. God's.

Displeasure. When. It. Isn't. Really. The. Case. David. Was.

Greatly. Distressed. Well. Now. In. The. Second. Place. Let. Us. See. In. David's. Case.

Something. Of. The. Cause. Of. These. Common. Troubles. Some. Not. Everything. We.

Can. Find. I. Believe. Some. Comfort. In. The. Fact. That. We. Are. Not. Alone. In. These.  
Things. For. Here. As. A. Great. Man. Of. God. Who. Was. Such. A. Power.

[ 22 : 54 ] For. God. Suffering. For. Just. The. Same. Things. That. We. Suffer. Look.

Into. The. Context. Of. Our. Text. And. In. The. Previous. Chapter. You. Find. That. One.  
Thing. That. David. Endured. Was. Suspicion. And. Suspicion.

Is. Never. A. Pleasant. Suspicion. Is. Always. A. Troubles. We. Have. To. Distinguish. Of.  
Course. Between. Legitimate. And. Illegitimate.

Suspicion. Suspicion. That. We. Arose. That. We. Bring. On. Ourselves. By. Our. Own.  
Follies. Suspicion.

That. Comes. From. The. Fact. That. We. Destroy. Other. People's. Confidence. In.  
Ourselves. And. They. Are. Caused. To. One. Caused. To. Wonder. Whether. We. Are.  
Reliable. Or.

[ 23 : 48 ] Dependable. Well. That's. Legitimate. Suspicion. But. That. Ill. Natured. Suspicion.

That. Illegitimate. Suspicion. That's. Grounded. In. Fear. Or. Jealousy. Or. Something.  
Worse. Suspicion. That. Imputes.

False. Motives. To. Everything. A. Man. Does. Or. Say. That's. The. Kind. Of. Suspicion.  
That. David. Fell. Under. Saul.

Was. Suspicious. Of. David. And. Saul. Was. Suspicious. Of. David. Because. Saul. Was.  
Jealous. Of. David. But.

In. This. Particular. Instance. Surely. The. Philistines. Was. Suspicious. Of. David.  
Because. Of. A. Certain. Fear. David. In.

[ 24 : 42 ] This. Passage. Had. Fled. From. Saul. He. Had. Found. Refuge. With. The. Philistines.  
David. Was. Ready. To. Help. Them. And.

Achish. One. Of. The. Philistine. Lords. Welcomed. Him. And. His. Men. The. Armies.  
Were. Lined. Up. Side. By. Side. And. All. Was. Ready. When.

Somebody. Raised. The. Cry. What. Is. David. Doing. Here. Achish. Knew. David's.

Character. Achish. Protested. David's. Character. He. said. Has. he. not. Been. As. an.  
Angel. Of. God. To. Me. Achish.

Knew. David's. Character. But. The. Other. Philistine. Lords. Wouldn't. Have. A. Word. Of.  
It. They. Imputed. Subtle. Motives. They. Insinuated. All. Matter. Of. Evil.

[ 25 : 38 ] Ends. And. Objectives. To. David's. Coming. Among. Them. And. The. Issue. Was. That.  
David. Had. To. Leave. Now.

Isn't. This. One. Of. The. Common. Pauses. Of. Common. Trouble. Common. Sorrow.  
People. Say. Why.

Is. He. Doing. A. Without. Inquiring. Without. Understanding. Why. A. Man. Is. Doing. A.  
Particular. Thing. They. Assign. Their. Own. Reason.

Which. Is. Usually. Wrong. And. Often. Malicious. And. The. Man. Becomes. A. Victim. Of.  
This. Illegitimate. Suspicion. Just. As. David. Was. Oh.

To. Be. Deliberately. Misjudged. To. Be. The. Victim. Of. Evil. Suspicion. Is. To. Be.  
Greatly. Distressed. David. Knew. It.

[ 26 : 36 ] And. The. Scripture. Tells. A. Christian. Man. Let. Not. Your. Good. Be. Evil. Spoken. Of.  
Now.

Another. Thing. That. Increased. David's. Distress. Was. Outright. Opposition. When.  
David. Had. To. Leave. The. Philistines. Here. We. Find. That. He. Walked.

Three. Days. To. His. Own. House. Which. Was. In. The. City. Of. Ziklag. When. He.  
Arrived. At. Ziklag. He. Found. That. The. Amalekites.

Had. Attacked. And. Plundered. The. Place. They. Burned. It. They. Taken. Captives. All.  
The. Women.

And. All. The. Children. David. Own. Wife. And. Friends. Included. There's. The. Common.  
Trouble. Of.

[ 27 : 29 ] Life. Loss. Of. Home. Loss. Of. Wife. Loss. Of. Family. Loss. Of. Friends. All. Through.  
The. Violence. Of. An. Enemy. No. Wonder. We. Read. Grave. David. Was. Greatly.  
Distressed. Now. My. Friends. It. Doesn't. Matter. What.

Name. You. Write. On. That. Enemy. Call. It. Disease. Or. Death. Or. Poverty. Or.  
Misfortune. Or. Calamity. Or. Common. Deceit.

Or. Suspicion. The. Effect. Is. The. Same. By. These. Things. We. Are. Brought. To. A.  
Stand. By. The. Opposition. Of. The. Enemy. We.

In. A. Situation. Everything. Seems. To. Be. Overturn. What. Was. Is. Now. No. More.  
What. We. Thought. Was. The. Stable. Case. And. Situation. It.

[ 28 : 21 ] All. Gone. There's. That. Empty. Feeling. Of. Desertion. There's. That. Gnawing. Sense.  
Of. Irreplaceable. Loss. There's. That. Great.

Distress. That. Bows. Us. Down. Blackens. That. Very. Heavens. Above. Us. David. Was.  
Greatly. Distressed. By. The. Opposition. Of. His. Enemies. But. Then. I. Ask. You. To.  
Notice. The.

Fact. That. David. Found. To. His. Amazement. His. Distresses. Were. Doubled. By. His.  
Own. Friends. We've.

Got. It. In. This. Passage. Here. You. See. In. The. Beginning. Of. Chapter. Thirty. That.  
The. Men. Of. Ziklag. Argued. That. By. David's. Absence. From.

[ 29 : 19 ] Ziklag. He. Was. Responsible. For. Its. Fall. To. The. Amalekites. That's. Why. They.  
Spoke. Of. Stoning. Him. Because. The. Soul.

Of. All. The. People. Was. Grieved. Every. Man. For. His. Sons. And. For. His. Daughters.  
And. You. May. Say. Well. Of. Course. They. Were. Grieved. They.

Were. As. Much. In. Trouble. And. Sorrow. As. David. Was. In. This. Particular. Matter.  
Yes. It. May. Have. Been. Natural. But.

It. Wasn't. Right. It. Wasn't. Right. That. They. Blamed. David. And. Human. Nature.  
Seldom. Stops. To. Think. Whether. Her. Reasons.

Are. Right. How. Much. Sin. How. Is. On. The. Grounds. That. It. Only. Human.

- [ 30 : 11 ] Nature. As. Though. Human. Nature. Is. Infallible. The. Door. Man. Human. Nature. Has. Got. To. Be. Pandored. And. Could. Do. No.
- Wrong. How. Many. A. Man. Comes. Before. A. Court. Guilty. Of. A. Crime. Before. God. And. Man. And. Is. Discharged. On.
- The. Plea. Of. Diminished. Responsibility. Because. It's. His. Nature. To. Do. This. Kind. Of. Thing. Now.
- What. Happened. In. David's. Case. Here. Is. This. That. When. David. Went. Away. From. Zichlag. To. The. Court. Of. Saul. He. Did. It. At. God's. Call.
- But. He. Also. Did. It. With. The. Ascent. And. Consent. And. The. Admiration. And. The. Applaudits. Of. All. His. Neighbors.
- [ 31 : 04 ] And. Friends. Almost. Like. A. Brilliant. Young. Man. In. A. Village. Community. In. Time. Of. War. He. Goes. Away. To. Fight. For. King. And. Country. And. Everybody.
- Applauds. Him. For. His. Loyalty. That's. The. Spirit. With. Which. David. Was. Sent. Away. From. Zichlag. To. The. Court. Of. Saul. But.
- No. Because. He's. Away. From. Zichlag. At. The. Court. Of. Saul. When. Zichlag. Is. Plundered. They. Blame. Him. For. Being. There. At. The. Court. Of. Saul. And.
- Not. In. Zichlag. To. Help. Defend. All. The. Unreasonableness. The. Heartlessness. The. Crass. Contradictoriness. Of. Human.
- Nurture. Says. Our. Lord. A. Man's. Foes. Shall. Be. They. Of. His. Own. Household. It.
- [ 31 : 59 ] Was. So. With. David. Yes. But. Let. Us. Not. Get. This. Out. Of. Proportion. It. Isn't. Always. The. Other. Person. Whether. It's.
- In. The. Family. The. Community. The. Church. The. Nation. That. Is. Wrong. The. Human. Heart. Is. Deceitful. And. Desperately. Wicked. And. That. Includes.
- Yours. And. Mine. We. Are. Often. Our. Own. Worst. Enemies. Because. We. Misjudge. Ourselves. We.
- Flatter. Ourselves. When. We. Ought. To. Rebuke. Ourselves. We. Please. Ourselves. When. We. Pretend. We're. Pleasing. God. My.
- Friends. Nobody. Deceives. Us. As. Much. As. We. Deceive. Ourselves. Especially. In. Spiritual. Things. That. Even. David. Was. Guilty.
- [ 32 : 54 ] Here. As. He. Admits. Again. And. Again. In. His. Psalms. So. The. Lesson. Surely. Must. Be. You. Find.
- Yourself. Troubled. And. Distressed. Before. You. Blame. The. Philistines. Or. The. Amalekites. Be.
- Sure. You're. Not. In. That. Position. Because. You've. Done. Some. Foolish. Thing. That. Has. Rebounded. On. Your. Own. Head. Well.
- There. It. Is. The. Common. Troubles. Of. Life. Christian. People. Are. Not. Exempt. From. But.
- I. Remind. You. And. I. Can. Only. Remind. You. In. Closing. This. Morning. That. At. The. Same. Time. That. David. Was. Greatly. Distressed. He. Was. Also. Encouraged.
- [ 33 : 52 ] In. The. Lord. Is. God. Godly. Godly. Godly. Godly. So. That. Shows. Us. The. Difference. Between. The. Godly. And.
- The. Ungodly. In. A. Time. Of. Natural. Sorrow. Mortal. Drunk. Human. Nature. Rebels. Against.
- Its. Trials. The. Non. Christian. Demands. A. Reason. For. His. Trials. The. Non. Christian. Doesn't.



Stop. To. Think. Of. God. Until. He. Wants. Someone. To. Blame. For. His. Trials. That. Was. Not. The. Case. With. David. That.

Is. Not. The. Case. With. The. Truly. Christian. Man. He. Seizes. Troubles. They. Rise. Like. Mountains. But.

[ 34 : 44 ] Towering. Over. All. The. Mountains. As. The. Lord. Is. God. And. In. The. Lord. Defines. Encouragement. And. Strength. Trials.

Are. Black. His. God. Is. Bright. He. Doesn't. Want. His. Troubles. But. He. Does. Want. His. God. He. Needs. Strength. And. Courage. If.

He. Isn't. To. Go. Under. That. He. Finds. In. His. God. So. He. Is. Greatly. Distressed. And.

At. The. Same. Time. He. Strengthens. Himself. In. The. Lord. His. God. In. The. Time. Of. Natural. Trouble. Natural. Forrow. That. Is. Common. To. The. Lot. Of. All. Men. Where. The. Man. Of. The. World. Rebels. The. Man. Of. God.

[ 35 : 38 ] Discovers. His. Hidden. Resources. Where. The. Man. Of. The. World. Can. Only. Then. Be. The. Man. Of. God.

Puts. Faith. To. The. Test. And. Provides. In. The. Time. Of. Such. Sorrow. When. A. Man. Of. The. World. Resolves.

His. Universe. Into. It. Self. And. Becomes. Morbid. And. Self. Pity. The. Man. Of. God. Discovers. The. Vastness. Of. God. Grace. The.

Strength. Of. God. Power. And. Love. Oh. Trouble. By. Itself. Is. Tragedy. Indeed. But. Trouble.

That. Has. God. To. Reckon. With. Has. Met. Its. Master. If. God. Can. Master. Your. Sin. He.

[ 36 : 30 ] Can. Master. Your. Son. David. Was. Greatly. Mistressed. But. David. Encouraged. Himself.

Strangely. And. Helf. In. The. Lord. His. God. He. Met. His. Sorrow. In. The. Strength. Of. His. God. I've.

Lived. Many. A. Year. To. Honor. Him. And. Serve. Him. After. That. Particular. Sorrow. Had. Passed. Away. And.

His. Testimony. Was. And. His. Commendation. Of. His. God. To. The. People. Of. God. Was. Passed. Thy. Burden.

Upon. The. Lord. For. He. Shall. Sustain. The. David. Was.

[ 37 : 25 ] Greatly. Distressed. God. That. David. Encouraged. Himself. In. the. Board. Is.

God. May. God. Enable. Us. To. Do. The. So. And. Know. The. Same. This. Amen.