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What does the Bible say about deliverance?

Deliverance is defined as “a rescue from bondage or danger.” Deliverance in the Bible is the acts of God whereby He rescues His people from peril. In the Old Testament, deliverance is focused primarily on God’s removal of those who are in the midst of trouble or danger. He rescues His people from their enemies (1 Samuel 17:37; 2 Kings 20:6), and from the hand of the wicked (Psalm 7:2;;18:16-19). He preserves them from famine (Psalm 33:19), death (Psalm 22:19-21), and the grave (Psalm 86:13; Hosea 13:14). The most striking example of deliverance is the exodus from Egypt (Exodus 3:8;). Here is God defined as the Deliverer of Israel who rescues His people, not because they deserve to be rescued, but as an expression of His mercy and love (Psalm 51:1;).

In the New Testament, God is always the subject—and His people are always the object—of deliverance. The descriptions of temporal deliverance in the Old Testament serve as symbolic representations of the spiritual deliverance from sin which is available only through Christ. He offers deliverance from mankind’s greatest peril—sin, evil, death and judgment. By God’s power, believers are delivered from this present evil age (Galatians 1:4) and from the power of Satan’s reign (Colossians 1:13). All aspects of deliverance are available only through the person and work of Jesus Christ, who was Himself delivered up for us (Romans 4:25) so that we would be delivered from eternal punishment for sin. Only Jesus rescues us from the “wrath to come” (1 Thessalonians 1:10).

Another aspect of deliverance concerns the temporal. While believers are delivered once for all time from eternal punishment, we are also delivered from the trials of this life (2 Peter 2:9). Sometimes that deliverance is God simply walking through the trials by our side, comforting and encouraging us through them as He uses them to mature us in the faith. Paul assured the Corinthian believers that “God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear.” (1 Corinthians 10:13).

Deliverance is often sought from evil spirits or the spirit of lust, jealousy, etc. It’s important to understand that, as believers, we already have eternal victory over Satan and demons. But we can be delivered from their influence in our lives by using two weapons God has given us as part of our spiritual armor with which we battle “against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms” (Ephesians 6:12-17). The believer defends himself with the shield of faith and uses the offensive weapon of the Word of God. Against these two, no spirit can prevail. By holding up the shield of faith, we extinguish the flaming spiritual arrows they send against us, arrows of lust, doubt, guilt, jealousy, evil speech, and all manner of temptations. With the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, we overcome the evil one by proving his temptations to be lies because he is the father of lies (John 8:44). John’s second letter commends the young Christians whose spiritual strength came from the Word of God living in them. By the offensive weapon of the Truth, we overcome the evil one (1 John 2:14).

Deliverance from sin, rescue from trials, and escape from the influence of a world in the control of the evil one come only through Christ, the Son of God who has come and “has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true—even in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life” (1 John 5:19-20).

- Adapted from an article on Gotquestions.org

We have a commitment, empowered by the Holy Spirit,
To give glory to God
To be unified in reaching others
To be living witnesses for Christ

Welcome to the
Palm Springs Church of Christ



Welcome to worship. “The Lord is great and worthy of our praise,” said the psalmist (48:1). Therefore let us joyously unite together as we sing, pray, & listen to God’s word. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people. (Ephesians 6:18)”

Pray for our Church family:

Please keep Byron in your prayers as he continues to suffer from chronic headaches. We also ask that you continue to pray for the improved health of: Mae Britton, Kerry Britton, Lynette Brink, Sue Collins, Phyllis Francis, Wanda Goodenough, Brenda Jones, John Leonard, Roy McDonald, Jeff Mercer, Jerry Munn, Dail Paramore, and Francis Pati.

Pray for family & friends:

Pray for Marjorie Counts who is in hospice care, for Dustin Parker’s dad, Mike who continues to recover from a stroke and for Kerry’s co-worker, George Dagnino who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Pray for the improved health of: Michelle Candelario, Jim & Mary Ann D’Arcy, Mary Fields, Joy Gabel Filippone, Keith & Lisa Britton, Kathy’s husband Kevin, Derek Fields, Dail’s friends Marie C. and Teddy K.

First responders: Please keep those who are serving their communities in your prayers: Alisha K. (EMT); Joanna Carter (Nurse), Luther Carter (Naval Officer), Jody Huggins and Jory Huggins (both MI Patrol Officers); Dr. Janice Massey of N.C.

Military:

Jeff Mercer’s son-in-law Brandon Deusenberry, Glenn Fields, and Kathy’s family T. Burgess and T. Cairo.

Prayer Warriors Corner

Dear merciful Father, thank You for hearing my pleas. Please always protect me, even from myself. Help me always to trust You, God. Thank You for listening to me. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Power For Today: Judy Kilmer, April 10, 2023
Read: Psalm 103:1-13

News:

Our next potluck will be on Nov. 5th following worship service! Please bring two dishes to contribute (main & side or main & dessert). Thank you to all!

Beaumont Church of Christ will be hosting an Area Wide Singing on Oct. 22 at 2:30 p.m. Their flyer has been posted on our bulletin board for more information.

The Community Food Bank: At this time, the most critically needed items are: soups, vegetables, canned beans, 1 lb. packs of rice or beans and quart size storage bags. Other Non-perishable items such as: Ramen/Cup of Noodles, Rice-A-Roni, canned tomatoes, & canned fruit are needed. Thank you for your continued support, your donation is greatly appreciated.

In Search of the Lord’s Way: Watch excellent Bible-based messages every Sunday, 7:30 a.m., on KCWQ, VHF channel 2 or UHF channel 26. Also Available ANY TIME online with You Tube. Just enter: SearchTVMinistry and pick a sermon. <https://youtu.be/FxMzZ6ZKMdQ>

The Lord lives, therefore...

In one of the lengthier psalms, David extolled all that the Lord had done for him. The Lord “saved” him (Psa. 18:3), “heard” him (18:6), “flew upon the wings of the wind” for him (18:10), “thundered from heaven” for him (18:13), “took” him (18:16), “drew” him out of danger (18:16), “delivered” him from the enemy (18:17, 43, 48, 50), “supported” him (18:18), “delighted” in him” (18:19), “rewarded” him (18:20, 24), “enlightened” him (18:28), “shielded” him (18:30), “armed” him with strength (18:32, 39), “held” him up (18:35-36), “avenged” him (18:47), “lifted” him up “above” the strife (18:48) and showed him “mercy” (18:50).

There was NO doubt in David’s mind that “The Lord lives!” (18:46). That was not a Bible fact he had memorized! It was a reality that he had experienced! Knowing that the Lord lives could only lead to one natural response: “Bless” the Lord...“Exalt” the Lord...“Give thanks” to the Lord...“Sing praises” to the Lord (18:46-49)! Do you know the Lord lives? Is this your natural and daily response toward Him?

David Sproule; Thought for the Day
Palm Beach Lakes Church of Christ)

Sermon Topic: Look! What God has Done.
Part 2: God Rescues His People



Birthdays:

Mario Fuentes: 10/1
Camelia Munn: 10/22

Bible study: Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.

Worship service: Sunday @ 10:30 a.m.

WORSHIP ORDER

WELCOME / OPENING PRAYER
63: I Will Call Upon the Lord (1)
382: Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? (1-3)
COMMUNION & OFFERING: Mark 14:22-25
548: The Lily of the Valley
Brief Intermission
176: Lamb of God (1 & 2)
SERMON
INVITATION
332: Lead Me to Calvary (1,2 & 4)
ANNOUNCEMENTS & CLOSING PRAYER

Sermons on line: For the most recent locally recorded sermon, simply go to the Palm Springs Church of Christ webpage and click on the “sermons” category at the top of the page.

<http://www.crenshawchurchofchrist.com>

Tri Lakes Church of Christ in Monument, Colorado