

God is our Rock, and His work in our life is perfect. V. 4

Deuteronomy 32:4-12 “He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he. They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation. Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not he thy father that hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee? Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye. As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.”

One of the hardest blessings from God for Christians to understand is, “our life as Christians is a work of God”. We never walk alone, we are continuously under the wing of God, or in the hand of God, “*My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.*” John 10:29 Therefore our life is the life that God has given to us, we live, breath, walk, learn, move, have illnesses, have tribulations, have trials, and we have rebukes, all to teach us that we may see the hand of God in our life. But, sometimes, we miss the blessings of God and fail our life can only be protected by our Heavenly Father. We fight when we need to lean on God, we worry when we are in trouble when we need to lean on our Father, we are heart broken when we learn we are dying when we need to lean on God. We forget sometimes that God is our only hope, and He has promised He will never, yes never leave us alone and He will never forsake us. Heb 13:5c He has promised that everything in our life will be to our good, EVERYTHING. Rom. 8:28. No matter what nothing, or no one can remove us from God's hand nor from under His wing.

A. Why did God liken Himself to an Eagle?

1. In the “International Standard Bible Encyclopedia” we learn of the eagle's wings, “Biblical references to the wings of birds are common, especially in Psalms, many of

them exquisitely poetical. Often the wings of an eagle are mentioned because they are from 7 to 9 feet in sweep, of untiring flight, and have strength to carry heavy burdens: so they became the symbol of strength and endurance... Sometimes the wings of a stork are used to portray strong flight, as in the vision of Zechariah 5:9. The wings of a dove symbolized love.

2. The Psalmist David prayed, **Psalms 17:8** *“Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings, (9) From the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who compass me about.”*
3. Wings as an emblem of love were used by Jesus in the cry, "O Jerusalem how often would I have gathered thy children as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings" Matt. 23:37.
4. As children of God, the King of all kings, the Lord of all Lords, we are tucked safely under His wings or held tightly in His hand, and our entire life is His to give no matter what happens.

B. God is our Rock.

1. **Deuteronomy 32:4** *“He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.”*
2. God is “A firm and everlasting refuge to ever child of His”. **Isaiah 26:4** *“Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:”*
3. The Pulpit Commentary had this thought, “God is called "the Rock", as the unchangeable Refuge and Stronghold of his people, by which they are sustained, and to which they can resort for defense and protection at all times.”
4. David praised the Lord’s greatness with these words in **Psalms 145:13 – 21**, *“Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations. The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down. The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works. The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth. He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them. The LORD preserveth*

all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy. My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.”

5. Being under God’s wing and Him being our Rock shows us His strength and power to protect us against any enemy, even ourselves. But we need to be like David and be in continuous prayer, walking in Truth, and always in faith and prayer.

C. God dwells and deals with us every day.

1. **Deuteronomy 32:12** “*So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.*” Or because the Lord led him, he walked upright.
2. We need to remember the blessings of God on Isreal, **Exodus 13:21 - 22** “*And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night: He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.*”
3. Exodus 15:13 “*Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.*”

D. God will forever be with us, our Rock, and covering us with His wings, and holding us in His hand.

1. God is with us in His Spirit, we do not walk alone, EVER!
2. We cannot hide from God, **Genesis 3:8** “*And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.*”
3. God can appear anywhere. **Exodus 3:2 - 4** “*And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.*”
4. **Exodus 19:17 - 20** “*And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount. And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake,*

and God answered him by a voice. And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.”

5. Today God may not appear in a burning bush or on the mountain top, but His Spirit dwelleth in us continually. **2 Timothy 1:14** “*That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.*”
6. Therefore, He will never not control our life, ever.