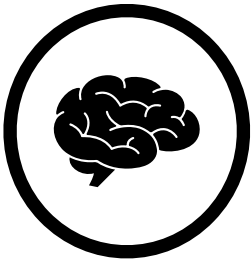


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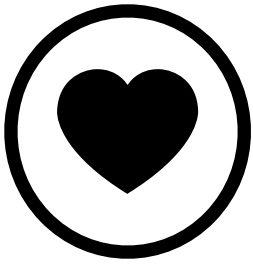
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## Exploring the text

Questions for reflection:

1. Explore 2 Samuel 22:1-4. What characters of God are highlighted here?
2. David describes (figuratively) how God showed up for him in 2 Samuel 22:8-16. What does this tell us about God and what he can do on behalf of His people??
3. Compare 2 Samuel 22:5-7 and 2 Corinthians 1:8-11. Why would appear as if God abandons us at some difficult times?
4. What might 'deep waters' mean for us today (2 Samuel 22:17-19)? What can we learn from David on what to do when we find ourselves in deep waters?
5. In 2 Samuel 22:21-26, David appears to say that God delivered him because of his uprightness. Would you agree with this? Why does God show-up for us in times of trouble?
6. David praised God because He delivered him (2 Samuel 22:47-51). When should we praise God?



# Connecting our hearts

Questions for reflection:

1. What is your default response when you find yourself in distress?
2. What is it about the character of God that encourages us in these moments?
3. Why do you think God allows our faith to be stretched to almost breaking point? Have you experienced this before? What was God teaching / shaping in you during this time?
4. How does a discipline of prayer sustain us when we are in distress?
5. What passages can we turn to, to help us praise God when we are in distress?



## Living it out

Questions for reflection:

1. How can you express your trust and faith in God's faithfulness today?
2. Use 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 as a prayer for yourself today?
3. Joel used the phrase 'You are now entering the mission field' as an encouragement when leaving church. How can you live out the message of 2 Samuel 22 on your frontline today?

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Use the below space to write you own prayer of response