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HE HEARS AND ANSWERS

Scripture: Psalms 61:2 - From the ends of the earth I call to you, I call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

Observation: David is calling on the Lord in times of despair to be placed in a safe place of refuge.

Application/Analysis: We all go through them; times when the walls are closing around us in one way or another and we have no place to go, no where to turn, no answers, and in many ways we don't even know the questions. Ahhh, my friend, this is the perfect place to meet God so that He can show you who He is and what He wants to do with your life. Ultimately, the end game is that we as believers become totally dependent on God for everything to include our next breath and the only way we can get to that level of dependence is to go through things that only God can get us through. The verse personifies this point by acknowledging that we struggle to the point of giving up but also that we have the knowledge that God is our solution. He asks to be taken to the rock that is higher and biblically speaking the rock is God's strength, faithfulness, reliability, and stability all of which are higher than where we are in time of tribulation. There is a song which says, "I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered. That's why I trust Him" That is the key truly. You and I have to seek the Lord with our whole heart always but especially when our faith is failing and trust that He will answer; believe He will deliver you according to His plans for your life (Jer 29:11). As we do this, God will get us to that higher place of delivery. He will get us to that rock and He will be that rock. Hallelujah!!

Prayer: Father, thank you for never changing and for being so faithful to your people. May we know that in our hearts so that we will call on you faithfully in times of need. In Jesus name - AMEN!

Takeaway: We all go through it, whatever it is. Accept that. Then, look to God who answers all our needs and provides for His people. This knowledge has to be anchored in your soul and unshakeable then God can show you who He is and what He will do for you.