

Psalm 54 A Psalm of David (When the Ziphites came to Saul and said, "Is not David hiding himself among us?")

¹ LORD,

Saul and his cohorts are still chasing me everywhere I go, and they want to kill me. LORD, You are mighty, and Your name is great, so please use Your great power to clear me of all of the false accusations and suspicion¹ they have leveled against me. ² Please listen with interest to my prayer for Your help, and act on my behalf. ³ I really need Your help because people I don't even know have joined forces with Saul. These people don't know God and willingly use strong, uncontrolled force² against me in an attempt to take my life.

Folks, stop for a moment and meditate upon the things I just shared with you. Take them to heart so that you will not sin like Saul and his cohorts.

⁴ I am in danger, but God is the One who will help me. He will enable me to stand firm in the face of this danger. ⁵ In His own way and in His own time the LORD will stop my enemies in their tracks and make them pay the penalty for the evil they have committed against me. LORD, destroy them in keeping with Your faithful promise to make me king of Israel someday.

⁶ I will willingly offer sacrifices to You and praise Your good and wonderful name. ⁷ I am glad to do it because I see my deliverance as though it had already happened. One day You will rescue me from my troubles, and when You do, I will look with complete satisfaction on the demise of my enemies.

¹ Vindicate means "to clear, as from an accusation, imputation, suspicion, or the like."
www.dictionary.com/browse/vindicate

² Violent is defined as "characterized by uncontrolled, strong, rough force" Ibid.