

Sometimes we get the idea that God is so far away that He is hard to reach. We can't feel that we are communicating with Him, or perhaps we just can't feel His caring presence. One of my favorite Psalms shows the response of God to someone He loved very much. It is an intense, explosive reaction:

I love thee, O Lord, my strength,  
The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer,  
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,  
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.  
I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,  
and I am saved from my enemies.

The cords of death encompassed me,  
the torrents of perdition assailed me;  
the cords of Sheol entangled me,  
the snares of death confronted me.

In my distress I called upon the Lord;  
to my God I cried for help.  
From His temple he heard my voice,  
and my cry to Him reached His ears.

Then the earth reeled and rocked;  
the foundations also of the mountains trembled  
and quaked, because he was angry

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The Lord also thundered in the heavens,  
and the Most High uttered His voice,  
hailstones and coals of fire.

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He brought me forth into a broad place;  
he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

Psalms 18:1-7,13,19

Now we know that He will not deliver us from every problem in this way. But it is thrilling to me to know that He cares in this way and can save us mightily. Let us strive to live so that He delights in us as He did in David.