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THE ROCK

THE LORD IS MY ROCK.
- PSALM 18:2

Daily Meditation

Reflection on (1 Chronicles 14: 10,14)

10 And David inquired of God, saying, "Shall I go up against the Philistines? Will You deliver them into my hand?" The Lord said to him, "Go up, for I will deliver them into your hand."

14 Therefore David inquired again of God, and God said to him, "You shall not go up after them; encircle around them, and come upon them in the front of the mulberry trees."





A little background info on this chapter; David was confronted with war against the Philistines twice in this chapter. War between the Israelites and the Philistines was common then, and it was no surprise when war arose between them. Regardless of this frequent event, King David would run to God and ask Him what he should do, even though it was common sense then to go to war with the Philistines. What surprised me was that both times David asked the Lord for advice,



but the two responses were the complete opposite of each other. The first He tells David, "Go up", and the second He responds with, "You shall not go up", yet both times He gives David victory which really stood out to me. A lot of times we may see that God's response to something in our lives is completely different than what we are used to, and could be quite the opposite of what He may have told us earlier. But learning to trust Him, regardless of how strange it may seem to us, will ultimately be for our good. The second thing is that regardless how usual our paths may be and how normal each step we take is, we need to stop and ask God first what does He think and listen to what He has to say to us. After all, if King David, the man after God's own heart, acknowledged God in his every move, who am I to do any different?