



- Psalm 118, was quite likely the last hymn **SUNG** together by Jesus and the disciples on the night that He was betrayed.
- The “I” in this Psalm, is, in a sense, testifying to the experience of **EVERY** member of the true church of Jesus Christ.
- **v. 1-4** – This opening section calls on the congregation to thank God for his goodness and to praise Him for His steadfast love.
- **v. 5-7** – The psalmist **REJOICES** because God has saved him from distress and has given him victory over a fierce and determined foe.
- **v. 8-9** – God alone deserves all credit and glory for **SALVATION**
- **v. 10-13** – These verses give a vivid description of our desperate need for the deliverance that only God can provide.
- **v. 14-16** – **Deliverance from the distress of v. 10-13 leads to THANKSGIVING and praise in the assembly of God’s people.**
 - The right hand of God is an image of God’s power, and the person and work of Christ is the pinnacle of God’s power for us.
- **v. 17-18** – The unfailing hope of the redeemed.
- **v. 19-21** – **Passing through the Gate of Righteousness**
 - This gate of righteousness points forward to **CHRIST** as the one true gate of salvation (John 10:7-9).
- **v. 22-23** – **Salvation by God’s Design**
 - The religious leaders who rejected Jesus had rejected the **CENTERPIECE** of God’s redemptive purposes (Acts 4:11-12).
- **v. 24** – **“This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.”**
 - The celebrated day in this text ultimately points to the Day of **VICTORY** in Christ.
 - Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of the worshipper in Psalm 118.
 - Because His body was broken and His blood poured out upon our sin we can celebrate together the day of salvation.

