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The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.

Ps. 40:1-2 I waited patiently for the LORD; He turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. (NIV)

David here states that he had been patiently waiting for the LORD to answer his petition. I dare say that patience is not a normal attribute for most people. We want something and we want it now. David had been anointed King of Israel, but he was patiently waiting for King Saul's demise instead of forcing the issue. So instead, David waited patiently.

The result was three-fold. The LORD turned and listened to him, lifted him and placed him on a firm foundation. This is the pattern of God's response. He is always listening to us. Any time or anywhere, you can call out to the LORD and He will certainly hear you. The picture here is of a father who hears his child calling, turns toward him, sees his need and then meets that need. David says he was in a hopeless place - a muddy, boggy mire that was weighing him down and he couldn't seem to get out. I recall one day when I was helping my grandpa move our irrigation pipes after a week's worth of rain. The ground was so muddy that I would sink up to my knees with every step. The mud would suction around my boot and when I would try to take a step, I could not. My grandpa would see my predicament and come to my aid. That is how David felt when he called out to the LORD. Have you ever felt stuck? All you have to do is call out to the LORD. He will come to you, lift you up from the pit and place you in a firm and stable place. Call on Him. He will answer you today!

Dear LORD, thank You that You always hear us when we call. You will rescue Your children. Your love for us never fails. In Jesus Name, Amen