

A Word Study by Pastor Melissa Scott, Ph.D.

The word “Deliver”

*God Deliver Us!*

**Psalm 91:3**

“Surely he shall **deliver** → נִצֵּלְהוּ = **root word** נָצַל *natsal*  
thee from the snare of the fowler (lure, bait of the bird trap...)  
and from the noisome pestilence (destruction, death).”

**Psalm 91:14**

“Because he hath set his love upon me (clings, fastens...)  
therefore will I **deliver** → אֶפְלֹטֵהוּ = **root word** פָּלַט *phalat*  
him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.”

**Psalm 91:15**

“He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him  
in trouble; I will **deliver** → אֶחַלֵּצֵהוּ = **root word** חָלַץ *chalats*  
him, and honour him.”

***Natsal*** נָצַל = Strong’s 5337 a primitive root; to snatch away,  
defend, deliver, pluck – pluck out from  
extricate – the bursting of bonds  
BDB 664 take away – snatch away, etc.

***Phalat*** פָּלַט = Strong’s 6403 a primitive root; to slip out,  
escape, deliver – carry away safe  
BDB 812 escape, liberate, rescue – set free

***Chalats*** חָלַץ = Strong’s 2502 a primitive root; to pull off – strip,  
to deliver, equip (for fight) arm, present,  
strengthen, armed. *It is noteworthy that Strong’s  
2504 and 2502 (BDB 322 and 323) are viewed by  
BDB as two separate categories, though all other  
sources view them as one.*