## PRAYING PSALM 54

"Save me, O God, by Your name, and vindicate me by Your strength" (Psalm 54:1).

Running from Saul, David went into the wilderness of Ziph. The Ziphites belonged to the tribe of Judah, and they tried to betray David into the hands of Saul. 1. DAVID PRAYS TO GOD (1-3). He appealed to God's name, which represents His perfect character and what He has done. He appealed to God's strength. He prayed against his oppressors. 2. DAVID SPEAKS TO HIMSELF (4-7). He affirmed God's answer according to what he already knew about him.

Do you ever speak to yourself in prayer? Sometimes when you are struggling to understand, or when you lack clarity, remind yourself of what you know about God. When you struggle to understand what God is doing in the present, fall back on what you know He has done in the past. Prayer is fellowship with God. Take the liberty to talk to yourself in His presence. Expect God to affirm what you already know to be true. That is one way God confirms His leading.