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To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David the servant of the LORD.

1 An oracle within my heart concerning the transgression of the wicked:

There is no fear of God before his eyes.

2 For he flatters himself in his own eyes, When he finds out his iniquity and when he hates.

3 The words of his mouth are wickedness and deceit; He has ceased to be wise and to do good.

4 He devises wickedness on his bed;
He sets himself in a way that is not good;
He does not abhor evil.

5 Your mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the great mountains;

Your judgments are a great deep;

O LORD, You preserve man and beast.

7 How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God!

Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.

8 They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of Your house,

And You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures.

9 For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light.

10 Oh, continue Your lovingkindness to those who know You,

And Your righteousness to the upright in heart.

11 Let not the foot of pride come against me,

And let not the hand of the wicked drive me away.

12 There the workers of iniquity have fallen;

They have been cast down and are not able to rise.My precious life from the lions.

18 I will give You thanks in the great assembly; I will praise You among many people.

19 Let them not rejoice over me who are wrongfully my enemies;

Nor let them wink with the eye who hate me without a cause.

20 For they do not speak peace,

But they devise deceitful matters

Against the quiet ones in the land.

21 They also opened their mouth wide against me,

And said, "Aha, aha!

Our eyes have seen it."

22 This You have seen, O LORD;

Do not keep silence.

O Lord, do not be far from me.

23 Stir up Yourself, and awake to my vindication, To my cause, my God and my Lord.

24 Vindicate me, O LORD my God, according to Your righteousness;

And let them not rejoice over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, "Ah, so we would have it!"

Let them not say, "We have swallowed him up."

- 26 Let them be ashamed and brought to mutual confusion Who rejoice at my hurt;
 Let them be clothed with shame and dishonor Who exalt themselves against me.
- 27 Let them shout for joy and be glad,
 Who favor my righteous cause;
 And let them say continually,
 "Let the LORD be magnified,
 Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant."
- 28 And my tongue shall speak of Your righteousness And of Your praise all the day long.