

PSALMS 55

PSALMS 55:1

1 ¶ To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David. Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication.

PSALMS 55:2

2 Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a noise;

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3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.

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4 My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.

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5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me.

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6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! *for then* would I fly away, and be at rest.

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7 Lo, *then* would I wander far off, *and* remain in the wilderness. Selah.

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8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm *and* tempest.

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9 ¶ Destroy, O Lord, *and* divide their tongues: for I have seen violence and strife in the city.

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10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: mischief also and sorrow *are* in the midst of it.

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11 Wickedness *is* in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.

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12 For *it was* not an enemy *that* reproached me; then I could have borne *it*: neither

was *it* he that hated me *that* did magnify *himself* against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

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13 But *it* was thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.

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14 We took sweet counsel together, *and* walked unto the house of God in company.

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15 Let death seize upon them, *and* let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness *is* in their dwellings, *and* among them.

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16 ¶ As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.

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17 Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.

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18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle *that* was against me: for there were many with me.

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19 God shall hear, and afflict them, even he that abideth of old. Selah. Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.

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20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: he hath broken his covenant.

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21 *The words* of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords.

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22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

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23 But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in thee.