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### Psalms 17.

#### 1 . A Prayer of David...

A Prayer by David. Hear, YHWH, my righteous plea; Give ear to my prayer, that doesn't go out of deceitful lips.

- 2 Let my sentence come forth from your presence. Let your eyes look on equity.
- 3 You have proved my heart. You have visited me in the night. You have tried me, and found nothing. I have resolved that my mouth shall not disobey.
- 4 As for the works of men, by the word of your lips, I have kept myself from the ways of the violent.
- 5 My steps have held fast to your paths. My feet have not slipped.
- 6 I have called on you, for you will answer me, ELOHIM! Turn your ear to me. Hear my speech.
- 7 Show your marvelous loving kindness, you who save those who take refuge by your right hand from their enemies.
- 8 Keep me as the apple of your eye. Hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- 9 from the wicked who oppress me, my deadly enemies, who surround me.
- 10 They close up their callous hearts. With their mouth they speak proudly.
- 11 They have now surrounded us in our steps. They set their eyes to cast us down to the earth.
- 12 He is like a lion that is greedy of his prey, as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.
- 13 Arise, YHWH, confront him. Cast him down. Deliver my soul from the wicked by your sword;
- 14 from men by your hand, YHWH, from men of the world, whose portion is in this life. You fill the belly of your cherished ones. Your sons have plenty, and they store up wealth for their children.
- 15 As for me, I shall see your face in righteousness. I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with seeing your form.

#### Proverbs 17.

- 1 Better is a dry morsel with quietness, than a house full of feasting with strife.
- 2 A servant who deals wisely will rule over a son who causes shame, and shall have a part in the inheritance among the brothers.
- 3 The refining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold, but YHWH tests the hearts.
- 4 An evildoer heeds wicked lips. A liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue.
- 5 Whoever mocks the poor reproaches his Maker. He who is glad at calamity shall not be unpunished.
- 6 Children's children are the crown of old men; the glory of children are their parents.
- 7 Arrogant speech isn't fitting for a fool, much less do lying lips fit a prince.
- 8 A bribe is a precious stone in the eyes of him who gives it; wherever he turns, he prospers.
- 9 He who covers an offense promotes love; but he who repeats a matter separates best friends.
- 10 A rebuke enters deeper into one who has understanding than a hundred lashes into a fool.
- 11 An evil man seeks only rebellion; therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.

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- 12 Let a bear robbed of her cubs meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.
- 13 Whoever rewards evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.
- 14 The beginning of strife is like breaching a dam, therefore stop contention before quarreling breaks out.
- 15 He who justifies the wicked, and he who condemns the righteous, both of them alike are an abomination to YHWH!
- 16 Why is there money in the hand of a fool to buy wisdom, since he has no understanding?
- 17 A friend loves at all times: and a brother is born for adversity.
- 18 A man void of understanding strikes hands, and becomes collateral in the presence of his neighbor.
- 19 He who loves disobedience loves strife. One who builds a high gate seeks destruction.
- 20 One who has a perverse heart doesn't find prosperity, and one who has a deceitful tongue falls into trouble.
- 21 He who becomes the father of a fool grieves. The father of a fool has no joy.
- 22 A cheerful heart makes good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.
- 23 A wicked man receives a bribe in secret, to pervert the ways of justice.
- 24 Wisdom is before the face of one who has understanding, but the eyes of a fool wander to the ends of the earth.
- 25 A foolish son brings grief to his father, and bitterness to her who bore him.
- 26 Also to punish the righteous is not good, nor to flog officials for their integrity.
- 27 He who spares his words has knowledge. He who is even tempered is a man of understanding.
- 28 Even a fool, when he keeps silent, is counted wise. When he shuts his lips, he is thought to be discerning.

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