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Psalms 56.

1 . To the Chief Musician. Set to The Silent Dove in Distant Lands. A Michtam of David when the Philistines captured him in Gath...

For the Chief Musician. To the tune of "Silent Dove in Distant Lands." A poem by David, when the Philistines seized him in Gath. Be merciful to me, ELOHIM, for man wants to swallow me up. All day long, he attacks and oppresses me.

- 2 My enemies want to swallow me up all day long, for they are many who fight proudly against me.
- 3 When I am afraid, I will put my trust in you.
- 4 In ELOHIM, I praise his word. In ELOHIM, I put my trust. I will not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?
- 5 All day long they twist my words. All their thoughts are against me for evil.
- 6 They conspire and lurk, watching my steps, they are eager to take my life.
- 7 Shall they escape by iniquity? In anger cast down the peoples, ELOHIM!
- 8 You number my wanderings. You put my tears into your bottle. Aren't they in your book?
- 9 Then my enemies shall turn back in the day that I call. I know this, that ELOHIM is for me.
- 10 In ELOHIM, I will praise his word. In YHWH, I will praise his word.
- 11 I have put my trust in ELOHIM! I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?
- 12 Your vows are on me, ELOHIM! I will give thank offerings to you.
- 13 For you have delivered my soul from death, and prevented my feet from falling, that I may walk before ELOHIM in the light of the living.

Proverbs 15.

- 1 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.
- 2 The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouth of fools gush out folly.
- 3 YHWH's eyes are everywhere, keeping watch on the evil and the good.
- 4 A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but deceit in it crushes the spirit.
- 5 A fool despises his father's correction, but he who heeds reproof shows prudence.
- 6 In the house of the righteous is much treasure, but the income of the wicked brings trouble.
- 7 The lips of the wise spread knowledge: not so with the heart of fools.
- 8 The sacrifice made by the wicked is an abomination to YHWH, but the prayer of the upright is his delight.
- 9 The way of the wicked is an abomination to YHWH, but he loves him who follows after righteousness.
- 10 There is stern discipline for one who forsakes the way: whoever hates reproof shall die.
- 11 Sheol and Abaddon are before YHWH how much more then the hearts of the children of men!
- 12 A scoffer doesn't love to be reproved; he will not go to the wise.
- 13 A glad heart makes a cheerful face; but an aching heart breaks the spirit.
- 14 The heart of one who has understanding seeks knowledge, but the mouths of fools feed on folly.
- 15 All the days of the afflicted are wretched, but one who has a cheerful heart enjoys a continual feast.

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- 16 Better is little, with the fear of YHWH, than great treasure with trouble.
- 17 Better is a dinner of herbs, where love is, than a fattened calf with hatred.
- 18 A wrathful man stirs up contention, but one who is slow to anger appeases strife.
- 19 The way of the sluggard is like a thorn patch, but the path of the upright is a highway.
- 20 A wise son makes a father glad, but a foolish man despises his mother.
- 21 Folly is joy to one who is void of wisdom, but a man of understanding keeps his way straight.
- 22 Where there is no counsel, plans fail; but in a multitude of counselors they are established.
- 23 Joy comes to a man with the reply of his mouth. How good is a word at the right time!
- 24 The path of life leads upward for the wise, to keep him from going downward to Sheol.
- 25 YHWH will uproot the house of the proud, but he will keep the widow's borders intact.
- 26 YHWH detests the thoughts of the wicked, but the thoughts of the pure are pleasing.
- 27 He who is greedy for gain troubles his own house, but he who hates bribes will live.
- 28 The heart of the righteous weighs answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes out evil.
- 29 YHWH is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayer of the righteous.
- 30 The light of the eyes rejoices the heart. Good news gives health to the bones.
- 31 The ear that listens to reproof lives, and will be at home among the wise.
- 32 He who refuses correction despises his own soul, but he who listens to reproof gets understanding.
- 33 The fear of YHWH teaches wisdom. Before honor is humility.

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