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Psalms 57.

1 <u>. "To the Chief Musician. Set to Do Not Destroy. A Michtam of David when</u> <u>he fled from Saul into the cave...</u>

For the Chief Musician. To the tune of "Do Not Destroy." A poem by David, when he fled from Saul, in the cave. Be merciful to me, ELOHIM, be merciful to me, for my soul takes refuge in you. Yes, in the shadow of your wings, I will take refuge, until disaster has passed.

2 I cry out to ELOHIM Most High, to EL who accomplishes my requests for me.

3 He will send from heaven, and save me, he rebukes the one who is pursuing me. Selah. ELOHIM will send out his loving kindness and his truth.

4 My soul is among lions. I lie among those who are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

5 Be exalted, ELOHIM, above the heavens! Let your glory be above all the earth! 6 They have prepared a net for my steps. My soul is bowed down. They dig a pit before me. They fall into its midst themselves. Selah.

7 My heart is steadfast, ELOHIM, my heart is steadfast. I will sing, yes, I will sing praises.

8 Wake up, my glory! Wake up, psaltery and harp! I will wake up the dawn.

9 I will give thanks to you, ADONAI, among the peoples. I will sing praises to you among the nations.

10 For your great loving kindness reaches to the heavens, and your truth to the skies.

11 Be exalted, ELOHIM, above the heavens. Let your glory be over all the earth.

Proverbs 16.

1 The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from YHWH! 2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own eves; but YHWH weighs the motives.

3 Commit your deeds to YHWH, and your plans shall succeed.

4 YHWH has made everything for its own end yes, even the wicked for the day of evil. 5 Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to YHWH: they shall certainly not

be unpunished.

6 By mercy and truth iniquity is atoned for. By the fear of YHWH men depart from evil.

7 When a man's ways please YHWH, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.

8 Better is a little with righteousness, than great revenues with injustice.

9 A man's heart plans his course, but YHWH directs his steps.

10 Inspired judgments are on the lips of the king. He shall not betray his mouth.

11 Honest balances and scales are YHWH's; all the weights in the bag are his work.

12 It is an abomination for kings to do wrong, for the throne is established by righteousness.

13 Righteous lips are the delight of kings. They value one who speaks the truth.

14 The king's wrath is a messenger of death, but a wise man will pacify it.

15 In the light of the king's face is life. His favor is like a cloud of the spring rain.

16 How much better it is to get wisdom than gold! Yes, to get understanding is to be chosen rather than silver.

17 The highway of the upright is to depart from evil. He who keeps his way preserves his soul.

18 Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.

19 It is better to be of a lowly spirit with the poor, than to divide the plunder with the

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proud.

20 He who heeds the Word finds prosperity. Whoever trusts in YHWH is blessed. 21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent. Pleasantness of the lips promotes instruction.

22 Understanding is a fountain of life to one who has it, but the punishment of fools is their folly.

23 The heart of the wise instructs his mouth, and adds learning to his lips.

24 Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

25 There is a way which seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

26 The appetite of the laboring man labors for him; for his mouth urges him on.

27 A worthless man devises mischief. His speech is like a scorching fire.

28 A perverse man stirs up strife. A whisperer separates close friends.

29 A man of violence entices his neighbor, and leads him in a way that is not good.

30 One who winks his eyes to plot perversities, one who compresses his lips, is bent on evil.

31 Gray hair is a crown of glory. It is attained by a life of righteousness.

32 One who is slow to anger is better than the mighty; one who rules his spirit, than he who takes a city.

33 The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from YHWH!

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