

Psalm 55

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 To the chief Musician. On stringed instruments: an instruction. Of David. Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication. **2** Attend unto me, and answer me: I wander about in my plaint, and I moan aloud, **3** Because of the voice of the enemy; because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in anger they persecute me. **4** My heart is writhing within me, and the terrors of death are fallen upon me. **5** Fear and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me. **6** And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away, and be at rest; **7** Behold, I would flee afar off, I would lodge in the wilderness; Selah; **8** I would hasten my escape from the stormy wind, from the tempest.

9 Swallow them up, Lord; divide their tongue: for I have seen violence and strife in the city. **10** Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof; and iniquity and mischief are in the midst of it. **11** Perversities are in the midst thereof; and oppression and deceit depart not from its streets. **12** For it is not an enemy that hath reproached me--then could I have borne it; neither is it he that hateth me that hath magnified himself against me--then would I have hidden myself from him; **13** But it was thou, a man mine equal, mine intimate, my familiar friend. ... **14** We who held sweet intercourse together. To the house of God we walked amid the throng. **15** Let death seize upon them, let them go down alive into Sheol. For wickedness is in their dwellings, in their midst.

16 As for me, unto God will I call; and Jehovah will save me. **17** Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray and moan aloud; and he will hear my voice. **18** He hath redeemed my soul in peace from the battle against me: for there were many about me. **19** *God will hear, and afflict them: he that is seated of old, (Selah) ...because there is no change in them, and they fear not God. **20** He hath put forth his hands against such as are at peace with him; he hath profaned his covenant. **21** Smooth were the milky words of his mouth, but his heart was war; his words were softer than oil, yet are they drawn swords. **22** Cast thy burden upon Jehovah, and *he* will sustain thee: he will never suffer the righteous to be moved. **23** And thou, O God, wilt bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days. But as for me, I will confide in thee.