

PSALM 56

To the chief Musician upon Jonath-elim-rechokim, Michtam
of David, when the Philistines took him in Gath.

Johann B. Koenig, 1738
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1 Be merciful unto me, O God;
3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.
5 Every day they wrest my words.

1 for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me.
4 In God I will praise his word,
5 all their thoughts are against me for evil.

2 Mine enemies would daily swallow me up;
4 in God I have put my trust;
6 They gather themselves together, they hide themselves,

2 for they be many that fight against me, O thou most High,
4 I will not fear what flesh can do unto me,
6 they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul.

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7 Shall they escape by iniquity?
 9 When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back:
 11 In God have I put my trust;

13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death:
 14 in thine anger cast down the people, O God.
 15 this I know; for God is for me.
 16 I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

17 I will not thou deliver my feet from falling,
 18 Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle:
 19 In God will I praise his word:
 20 Thy vows are upon me, O God:

21 that I may walk before God,
 22 are they not in thy book?
 23 in the LORD will I praise his word.
 24 I will render praises unto thee.