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To the chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

- 1** Free me, O Jehovah, from the evil man; preserve me from the violent man:
- 2** Who devise mischiefs in *their* heart; every day are they banded together for war.
- 3** They sharpen their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison is under their lips. Selah.
- 4** Keep me, O Jehovah, from the hands of the wicked *man*, preserve me from the violent man, who devise to overthrow my steps.
- 5** The proud have hidden a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the way-side; they have set traps for me. Selah.
- 6** I have said unto Jehovah, Thou art my GOD: give ear, O Jehovah, to the voice of my supplications.
- 7** Jehovah, the Lord, is the strength of my salvation: thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.
- 8** Grant not, O Jehovah, the desire of the wicked; further not his device: they would exalt themselves. Selah.
- 9** *As for* the head of those that encompass me, let the mischief of their own lips cover them.
- 10** Let burning coals fall on them; let them be cast into the fire; into deep waters, that they rise not up again.
- 11** Let not the man of *evil* tongue be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the man of violence to *his* ruin.
- 12** I know that Jehovah will maintain the cause of the afflicted one, the right of the needy.
- 13** Yea, the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name; the upright shall dwell in thy presence.