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With all of the above and some other places where lack of clarity in the original manuscripts has led to multiple possible readings, significant variants are listed in footnotes. The reading that in our prayerful judgment is best is in the main text. Overall, the Open American Standard Version isn't very much different than several other good contemporary English translations of the Holy Bible. The message of Salvation through Jesus Christ is still the same. The point of this translation was not to be very different (except for legal status), but to update the ASV for readability while retaining or improving the accuracy of that well-respected translation and retaining the public domain status of the ASV.

BOOK 1

Psalm 1

¹ Blessed is the man who doesn't walk in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stand on the path of sinners,
nor sit in the seat of scoffers;
² but his delight is in Yahweh's* law.
On his law he meditates day and night.
³ He will be like a tree planted by the streams of water,
that produces its fruit in its season,
whose leaf also does not wither.
Whatever he does shall prosper.
⁴ The wicked are not so,
but are like the chaff which the wind drives away.
⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
⁶ For Yahweh knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall perish.

***1:2** "Yahweh" is God's proper Name, sometimes rendered "LORD" (all caps) in other translations.

Psalm 2

¹ Why do the nations rage,
and the peoples plot a vain thing?
² The kings of the earth take a stand,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against Yahweh, and against his Anointed,* saying,
³ "Let's break their bonds apart,
and cast their cords from us."
⁴ He who sits in the heavens will laugh.
The Lord[†] will have them in derision.
⁵ Then he will speak to them in his anger,
and terrify them in his wrath:

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⁶“Yet I have set my King on my holy hill of Zion.”

⁷ I will tell of the decree.

Yahweh said to me, “You are my son.

Today I have become your father.

⁸ Ask of me, and I will give the nations for your inheritance,
the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession.

⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron.

You shall dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

¹⁰ Now therefore be wise, you kings.

Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

¹¹ Serve Yahweh with fear,

and rejoice with trembling.

¹² Give sincere homage to the Son,[‡] lest he be angry, and you perish on the way,
for his wrath will soon be kindled.

Blessed are all those who take refuge in him.

***2:2** The word “Anointed” is the same as the word for “Messiah” or “Christ”

†**2:4** The word translated “Lord” is “Adonai.”

‡**2:12** or, Kiss the son

Psalm 3

A Psalm by David, when he fled from Absalom his son.

¹ Yahweh, how my adversaries have increased!

Many are those who rise up against me.

² Many there are who say of my soul,
“There is no help for him in God.”*

Selah.

³ But you, Yahweh, are a shield around me,
my glory, and the one who lifts up my head.

⁴ I cry to Yahweh with my voice,
and he answers me out of his holy hill.
Selah.
⁵ I laid myself down and slept.
I awakened; for Yahweh sustains me.
⁶ I will not be afraid of tens of thousands of
people
who have set themselves against me on
every side.
⁷ Arise, Yahweh!
Save me, my God!
For you have struck all of my enemies on
the cheek bone.
You have broken the teeth of the wicked.
⁸ Salvation belongs to Yahweh.
Your blessing be on your people.
Selah.

*3:2 The Hebrew word rendered
"God" is "אֱלֹהִים" (Elohim).

Psalm 4

For the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. A Psalm by David.

¹ Answer me when I call, God of my
righteousness.
Give me relief from my distress.
Have mercy on me, and hear my prayer.
² You sons of men, how long shall my glory
be turned into dishonor?
Will you love vanity, and seek after
falsehood?
Selah.
³ But know that Yahweh has set apart for
himself him who is godly:
Yahweh will hear when I call to him.
⁴ Stand in awe, and don't sin.
Search your own heart on your bed, and be
still.
Selah.
⁵ Offer the sacrifices of righteousness.

Put your trust in Yahweh.

⁶ Many say, "Who will show us any good?"

Yahweh, let the light of your face shine on us.

⁷ You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when their grain and their new
wine are increased.

⁸ In peace I will both lay myself down and
sleep,
for you, Yahweh alone, make me live in
safety.

Psalm 5

**For the Chief Musician, with the flutes.
A Psalm by David.**

¹ Give ear to my words, Yahweh.
Consider my meditation.

² Listen to the voice of my cry, my King and
my God;
for to you do I pray.

³ Yahweh, in the morning you shall hear my
voice.

In the morning I will lay my requests before
you, and will watch expectantly.

⁴ For you are not a God who has pleasure in
wickedness.

Evil can't live with you.

⁵ The arrogant shall not stand in your sight.
You hate all workers of iniquity.

⁶ You will destroy those who speak lies.
Yahweh abhors the bloodthirsty and
deceitful man.

⁷ But as for me, in the abundance of your
loving kindness I will come into your house.
I will bow toward your holy temple in
reverence of you.

⁸ Lead me, Yahweh, in your righteousness
because of my enemies.
Make your way straight before my face.

⁹ For there is no faithfulness in their mouth.
Their heart is destruction.

Their throat is an open tomb.

They flatter with their tongue.

¹⁰ Hold them guilty, God.

Let them fall by their own counsels;
Thrust them out in the multitude of their
transgressions,
for they have rebelled against you.

¹¹ But let all those who take refuge in you
rejoice,

Let them always shout for joy, because you
defend them.

Let them also who love your name be joyful
in you.

¹² For you will bless the righteous.

Yahweh, you will surround him with favor as
with a shield.

Psalm 6

**For the Chief Musician; on stringed
instruments, upon the eight-stringed
lyre. A Psalm by David.**

¹ Yahweh, don't rebuke me in your anger,
neither discipline me in your wrath.

² Have mercy on me, Yahweh, for I am faint.
Yahweh, heal me, for my bones are
troubled.

³ My soul is also in great anguish.

But you, Yahweh—how long?

⁴ Return, Yahweh. Deliver my soul,
and save me for your loving kindness' sake.

⁵ For in death there is no memory of you.

In Sheol,* who shall give you thanks?

⁶ I am weary with my groaning.

Every night I flood my bed.

I drench my couch with my tears.

⁷ My eye wastes away because of grief.

It grows old because of all my adversaries.

⁸ Depart from me, all you workers of
iniquity,

for Yahweh has heard the voice of my
weeping.

⁹ Yahweh has heard my supplication.

Yahweh accepts my prayer.

¹⁰ May all my enemies be ashamed and
dismayed.

They shall turn back, they shall be disgraced
suddenly.

*6:5 Sheol is the place of the dead.

Psalm 7

A meditation by David, which he sang to Yahweh, concerning the words of Cush, the Benjamite.

¹Yahweh, my God, I take refuge in you.
Save me from all those who pursue me, and deliver me,
²lest they tear apart my soul like a lion, ripping it in pieces, while there is no one to deliver.
³Yahweh, my God, if I have done this, if there is iniquity in my hands,
⁴if I have rewarded evil to him who was at peace with me
(yes, I have delivered him who without cause was my adversary),
⁵let the enemy pursue my soul, and overtake it;
yes, let him tread my life down to the earth, and lay my glory in the dust.
Selah.
⁶Arise, Yahweh, in your anger.
Lift up yourself against the rage of my adversaries.
Awake for me. You have commanded judgment.
⁷Let the congregation of the peoples surround you.
Rule over them on high.
⁸Yahweh administers judgment to the peoples.
Judge me, Yahweh, according to my righteousness,
and to my integrity that is in me.
⁹Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end,
but establish the righteous;

their minds and hearts are searched by the righteous God.

¹⁰ My shield is with God,
who saves the upright in heart.

¹¹ God is a righteous judge,
yes, a God who has indignation every day.

¹² If a man doesn't repent, he will sharpen
his sword;
he has bent and strung his bow.

¹³ He has also prepared for himself the
instruments of death.

He makes ready his flaming arrows.

¹⁴ Behold,* he travails with iniquity.
Yes, he has conceived mischief,
and brought out falsehood.

¹⁵ He has dug a hole,
and has fallen into the pit which he made.

¹⁶ The trouble he causes shall return to his
own head.

His violence shall come down on the crown
of his own head.

¹⁷ I will give thanks to Yahweh according to
his righteousness,
and will sing praise to the name of Yahweh
Most High.

***7:14** "Behold", from "הִנֵּה",
means look at, take notice,
observe, see, or gaze at. It is often
used as an interjection.

Psalm 8

**For the Chief Musician; on an
instrument of Gath. A Psalm by David.**

¹ Yahweh, our Lord, how majestic is your
name in all the earth,
who has set your glory above the heavens!

² From the lips of babes and infants you
have established strength,
because of your adversaries, that you might
silence the enemy and the avenger.

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³ When I consider your heavens, the work of
your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have
ordained;
⁴ what is man, that you think of him?
What is the son of man, that you care for
him?
⁵ For you have made him a little lower than
the angels,*
and crowned him with glory and honor.
⁶ You make him ruler over the works of your
hands.
You have put all things under his feet:
⁷ All sheep and cattle,
yes, and the animals of the field,
⁸ the birds of the sky, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes through the paths of
the seas.
⁹ Yahweh, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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means look at, take notice,
observe, see, or gaze at. It is often
used as an interjection.

Psalm 9

**For the Chief Musician. Set to "The
Death of the Son." A Psalm by David.**

¹ I will give thanks to Yahweh with my whole
heart.
I will tell of all your marvelous works.
² I will be glad and rejoice in you.
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.
³ When my enemies turn back,
they stumble and perish in your presence.
⁴ For you have maintained my just cause.
You sit on the throne judging righteously.
⁵ You have rebuked the nations.
You have destroyed the wicked.
You have blotted out their name forever and

ever.

⁶ The enemy is overtaken by endless ruin.
The very memory of the cities which you
have overthrown has perished.

⁷ But Yahweh reigns forever.

He has prepared his throne for judgment.

⁸ He will judge the world in righteousness.

He will administer judgment to the peoples
in uprightness.

⁹ Yahweh will also be a high tower for the
oppressed;

a high tower in times of trouble.

¹⁰ Those who know your name will put their
trust in you,

for you, Yahweh, have not forsaken those
who seek you.

¹¹ Sing praises to Yahweh, who dwells in
Zion,

and declare among the people what he has
done.

¹² For he who avenges blood remembers
them.

He doesn't forget the cry of the afflicted.

¹³ Have mercy on me, Yahweh.

See my affliction by those who hate me,
and lift me up from the gates of death;

¹⁴ that I may show all of your praise.

In the gates of the daughter of Zion, I will
rejoice in your salvation.

¹⁵ The nations have sunk down in the pit
that they made.

In the net which they hid, their own foot is
taken.

¹⁶ Yahweh has made himself known.

He has executed judgment.

The wicked is snared by the work of his own
hands.

Meditation. Selah.

¹⁷ The wicked shall be turned back to Sheol,*
even all the nations that forget God.

¹⁸ For the needy shall not always be
forgotten,

nor the hope of the poor perish forever.

¹⁹ Arise, Yahweh! Don't let man prevail.

Let the nations be judged in your sight.

²⁰ Put them in fear, Yahweh.

Let the nations know that they are only men.
Selah

***9:17** Sheol is the place of the dead.

Psalm 10

¹ Why do you stand far off, Yahweh?
Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?
² In arrogance, the wicked hunt down the weak.
They are caught in the schemes that they devise.
³ For the wicked boasts of his heart's cravings.
He blesses the greedy, and condemns Yahweh.
⁴ The wicked, in the pride of his face,
has no room in his thoughts for God.
⁵ His ways are prosperous at all times.
He is arrogant, and your laws are far from his sight.
As for all his adversaries, he sneers at them.
⁶ He says in his heart, "I shall not be shaken.
For generations I shall have no trouble."
⁷ His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and oppression.
Under his tongue is mischief and iniquity.
⁸ He lies in wait near the villages.
From ambushes, he murders the innocent.
His eyes are secretly set against the helpless.
⁹ He lurks in secret as a lion in his ambush.
He lies in wait to catch the helpless.
He catches the helpless, when he draws him in his net.
¹⁰ The helpless are crushed.
They collapse.
They fall under his strength.

¹¹ He says in his heart, "God has forgotten.
He hides his face.
He will never see it."

¹² Arise, Yahweh!
God, lift up your hand!
Don't forget the helpless.

¹³ Why does the wicked person condemn
God,
and say in his heart, "God won't call me into
account?"

¹⁴ But you do see trouble and grief.
You consider it to take it into your hand.
You help the victim and the fatherless.

¹⁵ Break the arm of the wicked.
As for the evil man, seek out his wickedness
until you find none.

¹⁶ Yahweh is King forever and ever!
The nations will perish out of his land.

¹⁷ Yahweh, you have heard the desire of the
humble.

You will prepare their heart.

You will cause your ear to hear,

¹⁸ to judge the fatherless and the oppressed,
that man who is of the earth may terrify no
more.

Psalm 11

For the Chief Musician. By David.

¹ In Yahweh, I take refuge.
How can you say to my soul, "Flee as a bird
to your mountain!"

² For, behold, the wicked bend their bows.
They set their arrows on the strings,
that they may shoot in darkness at the
upright in heart.

³ If the foundations are destroyed,
what can the righteous do?

⁴ Yahweh is in his holy temple.
Yahweh is on his throne in heaven.
His eyes observe.

His eyes examine the children of men.

⁵ Yahweh examines the righteous,
but the wicked and him who loves violence

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his soul hates.
⁶ On the wicked he will rain blazing coals;
fire, sulfur, and scorching wind shall be the
portion of their cup.
⁷ For Yahweh is righteous.
He loves righteousness.
The upright shall see his face.

Psalm 12

**For the Chief Musician; upon an eight-
stringed lyre. A Psalm of David.**

¹ Help, Yahweh; for the godly man ceases.
For the faithful fail from among the children
of men.
² Everyone lies to his neighbor.
They speak with flattering lips, and with a
double heart.
³ May Yahweh cut off all flattering lips,
and the tongue that boasts,
⁴ who have said, "With our tongue we will
prevail.
Our lips are our own.
Who is lord over us?"
⁵ "Because of the oppression of the weak
and because of the groaning of the needy,
I will now arise," says Yahweh;
"I will set him in safety from those who
malign him."
⁶ Yahweh's words are flawless words,
as silver refined in a clay furnace, purified
seven times.
⁷ You will keep them, Yahweh.
You will preserve them from this generation
forever.
⁸ The wicked walk on every side,
when what is vile is exalted among the sons
of men.

Psalm 13

**For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by
David.**

¹ How long, Yahweh?

Will you forget me forever?
 How long will you hide your face from me?
² How long shall I take counsel in my soul,
 having sorrow in my heart every day?
 How long shall my enemy triumph over me?
³ Behold, and answer me, Yahweh, my God.
 Give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;
⁴ lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed
 against him;"
 lest my adversaries rejoice when I fall.

⁵ But I trust in your loving kindness.
 My heart rejoices in your salvation.
⁶ I will sing to Yahweh,
 because he has been good to me.

Psalm 14

For the Chief Musician. By David.

¹ The fool has said in his heart, "There is no
 God."
 They are corrupt.
 They have done abominable deeds.
 There is no one who does good.
² Yahweh looked down from heaven on the
 children of men,
 to see if there were any who understood,
 who sought after God.
³ They have all gone aside.
 They have together become corrupt.
 There is no one who does good, no, not
 one.
⁴ Have all the workers of iniquity no
 knowledge,
 who eat up my people as they eat bread,
 and don't call on Yahweh?
⁵ There they were in great fear,
 for God is in the generation of the righteous.
⁶ You frustrate the plan of the poor,
 because Yahweh is his refuge.
⁷ Oh that the salvation of Israel would come
 out of Zion!
 When Yahweh restores the fortunes of his
 people,
 then Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be

glad.

Psalm 15

A Psalm by David.

¹Yahweh, who shall dwell in your sanctuary?
Who shall live on your holy hill?
²He who walks blamelessly does what is right,
and speaks truth in his heart;
³He who doesn't slander with his tongue,
nor does evil to his friend,
nor casts slurs against his fellow man;
⁴In whose eyes a vile man is despised,
but who honors those who fear Yahweh;
he who keeps an oath even when it hurts,
and doesn't change;
⁵he who doesn't lend out his money for usury,
nor take a bribe against the innocent.

He who does these things shall never be shaken.

Psalm 16

A Poem by David.

¹Preserve me, God, for I take refuge in you.
²My soul, you have said to Yahweh, "You are my Lord.
Apart from you I have no good thing."
³As for the saints who are in the earth,
they are the excellent ones in whom is all my delight.

⁴Their sorrows shall be multiplied who give gifts to another god.
Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer,
nor take their names on my lips.
⁵Yahweh assigned my portion and my cup.
You made my lot secure.

⁶The lines have fallen to me in pleasant

places.

Yes, I have a good inheritance.

⁷ I will bless Yahweh, who has given me counsel.

Yes, my heart instructs me in the night seasons.

⁸ I have set Yahweh always before me.

Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my tongue rejoices.

My body shall also dwell in safety.

¹⁰ For you will not leave my soul in Sheol,* neither will you allow your holy one to see corruption.

¹¹ You will show me the path of life.

In your presence is fullness of joy.

In your right hand there are pleasures forever more.

***16:10** Sheol is the place of the dead.

Psalm 17

A Prayer by David.

¹ Hear, Yahweh, my righteous plea;
Give ear to my prayer, that doesn't go out of deceitful lips.

² Let my sentence come out of your presence.

Let your eyes look on equity.

³ You have proved my heart.

You have visited me in the night.

You have tried me, and found nothing.

I have resolved that my mouth shall not disobey.

⁴ As for the deeds of men, by the word of your lips,

I have kept myself from the ways of the violent.

⁵ My steps have held fast to your paths.

My feet have not slipped.
⁶ I have called on you, for you will answer me, God.
Turn your ear to me.
Hear my speech.
⁷ Show your marvelous loving kindness, you who save those who take refuge by your right hand from their enemies.
⁸ Keep me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me under the shadow of your wings,
⁹ from the wicked who oppress me, my deadly enemies, who surround me.
¹⁰ They close up their callous hearts. With their mouth they speak proudly.
¹¹ They have now surrounded us in our steps.
They set their eyes to cast us down to the earth.
¹² He is like a lion that is greedy of his prey, as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.
¹³ Arise, Yahweh, confront him. Cast him down.
Deliver my soul from the wicked by your sword;
¹⁴ from men by your hand, Yahweh, from men of the world, whose portion is in this life.
You fill the belly of your cherished ones. Your sons have plenty, and they store up wealth for their children.
¹⁵ As for me, I shall see your face in righteousness.
I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with seeing your form.

Psalm 18

For the Chief Musician. By David the servant of Yahweh, who spoke to Yahweh the words of this song in the day that Yahweh delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul. He said,

¹ I love you, Yahweh, my strength.

²Yahweh is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer;
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge;
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower.

³I call on Yahweh, who is worthy to be praised;
and I am saved from my enemies.

⁴The cords of death surrounded me.
The floods of ungodliness made me afraid.

⁵The cords of Sheol* were around me.
The snares of death came on me.

⁶In my distress I called on Yahweh,
and cried to my God.

He heard my voice out of his temple.
My cry before him came into his ears.

⁷Then the earth shook and trembled.
The foundations also of the mountains quaked and were shaken,
because he was angry.

⁸Smoke went out of his nostrils.
Consuming fire came out of his mouth.
Coals were kindled by it.

⁹He bowed the heavens also, and came down.

Thick darkness was under his feet.

¹⁰He rode on a cherub, and flew.
Yes, he soared on the wings of the wind.

¹¹He made darkness his hiding place, his pavilion around him,
darkness of waters, thick clouds of the skies.

¹²At the brightness before him his thick clouds passed,
hailstones and coals of fire.

¹³Yahweh also thundered in the sky.
The Most High uttered his voice:
hailstones and coals of fire.

¹⁴He sent out his arrows, and scattered them;
Yes, great lightning bolts, and routed them.

¹⁵Then the channels of waters appeared.
The foundations of the world were laid bare
at your rebuke, Yahweh,
at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.

¹⁶He sent from on high.
He took me.

He drew me out of many waters.

¹⁷ He delivered me from my strong enemy,
from those who hated me; for they were too
mighty for me.

¹⁸ They came on me in the day of my
calamity,
but Yahweh was my support.

¹⁹ He brought me out also into a large place.
He delivered me, because he delighted in
me.

²⁰ Yahweh has rewarded me according to my
righteousness.

According to the cleanness of my hands has
he recompensed me.

²¹ For I have kept the ways of Yahweh,
and have not wickedly departed from my
God.

²² For all his ordinances were before me.
I didn't put away his statutes from me.

²³ I was also blameless with him.

I kept myself from my iniquity.

²⁴ Therefore Yahweh has rewarded me
according to my righteousness,
according to the cleanness of my hands in
his eyesight.

²⁵ With the merciful you will show yourself
merciful.

With the perfect man, you will show yourself
perfect.

²⁶ With the pure, you will show yourself
pure.

With the crooked you will show yourself
shrewd.

²⁷ For you will save the afflicted people,
but the arrogant eyes you will bring down.

²⁸ For you will light my lamp, Yahweh.

My God will light up my darkness.

²⁹ For by you, I advance through a troop.

By my God, I leap over a wall.

³⁰ As for God, his way is perfect.

Yahweh's word is tried.

He is a shield to all those who take refuge in
him.

³¹ For who is God, except Yahweh?

Who is a rock, besides our God,

³² the God who arms me with strength, and

makes my way perfect?

³³ He makes my feet like deer's feet,
and sets me on my high places.

³⁴ He teaches my hands to war,
so that my arms bend a bow of bronze.

³⁵ You have also given me the shield of your
salvation.

Your right hand sustains me.

Your gentleness has made me great.

³⁶ You have enlarged my steps under me,
My feet have not slipped.

³⁷ I will pursue my enemies, and overtake
them.

I won't turn away until they are consumed.

³⁸ I will strike them through, so that they will
not be able to rise.

They shall fall under my feet.

³⁹ For you have armed me with strength to
the battle.

You have subdued under me those who rose
up against me.

⁴⁰ You have also made my enemies turn
their backs to me,
that I might cut off those who hate me.

⁴¹ They cried, but there was no one to save;
even to Yahweh, but he didn't answer them.

⁴² Then I beat them small as the dust before
the wind.

I cast them out as the mire of the streets.

⁴³ You have delivered me from the strivings
of the people.

You have made me the head of the nations.

A people whom I have not known shall
serve me.

⁴⁴ As soon as they hear of me they shall
obey me.

The foreigners shall submit themselves to
me.

⁴⁵ The foreigners shall fade away,
and shall come trembling out of their
strongholds.

⁴⁶ Yahweh lives; and blessed be my rock.

Exalted be the God of my salvation,

⁴⁷ even the God who executes vengeance for
me,

and subdues peoples under me.

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⁴⁸ He rescues me from my enemies.
Yes, you lift me up above those who rise up
against me.
You deliver me from the violent man.
⁴⁹ Therefore I will give thanks to you,
Yahweh, among the nations,
and will sing praises to your name.
⁵⁰ He gives great deliverance to his king,
and shows loving kindness to his anointed,
to David and to his offspring,[†] forever more.

***18:5** Sheol is the place of the
dead.

†18:50 or, seed

Psalm 19

**For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by
David.**

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God.
The expanse shows his handiwork.
² Day after day they pour out speech,
and night after night they display
knowledge.
³ There is no speech nor language,
where their voice is not heard.
⁴ Their voice has gone out through all the
earth,
their words to the end of the world.
In them he has set a tent for the sun,
⁵ which is as a bridegroom coming out of his
room,
like a strong man rejoicing to run his course.
⁶ His going out is from the end of the
heavens,
his circuit to its ends;
There is nothing hidden from its heat.

⁷ Yahweh’s law is perfect, restoring the soul.
Yahweh’s covenant is sure, making wise the
simple.

⁸Yahweh's precepts are right, rejoicing the heart.

Yahweh's commandment is pure, enlightening the eyes.

⁹The fear of Yahweh is clean, enduring forever.

Yahweh's ordinances are true, and righteous altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, yes, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the extract of the honeycomb.

¹¹Moreover by them is your servant warned. In keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can discern his errors? Forgive me from hidden errors.

¹³Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins.

Let them not have dominion over me.

Then I will be upright.

I will be blameless and innocent of great transgression.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, Yahweh, my rock, and my redeemer.

Psalm 20

For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by David.

¹May Yahweh answer you in the day of trouble.

May the name of the God of Jacob set you up on high,

²send you help from the sanctuary, grant you support from Zion,

³remember all your offerings, and accept your burned sacrifice.

Selah.

⁴May He grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all your counsel.

⁵We will triumph in your salvation. In the name of our God, we will set up our

banners.

May Yahweh grant all your requests.

⁶ Now I know that Yahweh saves his anointed.

He will answer him from his holy heaven,
with the saving strength of his right hand.

⁷ Some trust in chariots, and some in horses,
but we trust the name of Yahweh our God.

⁸ They are bowed down and fallen,
but we rise up, and stand upright.

⁹ Save, Yahweh!

Let the King answer us when we call!

Psalm 21

For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by David.

¹ The king rejoices in your strength,
Yahweh!

How greatly he rejoices in your salvation!

² You have given him his heart's desire,
and have not withheld the request of his lips.

Selah.

³ For you meet him with the blessings of
goodness.

You set a crown of fine gold on his head.

⁴ He asked life of you, you gave it to him,
even length of days forever and ever.

⁵ His glory is great in your salvation.

You lay honor and majesty on him.

⁶ For you make him most blessed forever.

You make him glad with joy in your
presence.

⁷ For the king trusts in Yahweh.

Through the loving kindness of the Most
High, he shall not be moved.

⁸ Your hand will find out all of your enemies.
Your right hand will find out those who hate
you.

⁹ You will make them as a fiery furnace in
the time of your anger.

Yahweh will swallow them up in his wrath.

The fire shall devour them.

¹⁰ You will destroy their descendants from

the earth,
their posterity from among the children of
men.

¹¹ For they intended evil against you.

They plotted evil against you which cannot
succeed.

¹² For you will make them turn their back,
when you aim drawn bows at their face.

¹³ Be exalted, Yahweh, in your strength,
so we will sing and praise your power.

Psalm 22

**For the Chief Musician; set to "The Doe
of the Morning." A Psalm by David.**

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken
me?

Why are you so far from helping me, and
from the words of my groaning?

² My God, I cry in the daytime, but you don't
answer;

in the night season, and am not silent.

³ But you are holy, O Lord, and
you are enthroned on high.