

# Psalm 59

*For the maestro  
to the tune  
“Do not destroy”.  
A golden song  
written by David  
about the time  
that Saul sent men  
to watch David’s house  
in order to kill him.*

Now save me from my enemies, O God:  
From those who rise against me keep me hid:  
Deliver me from evil men, I pray  
And save me from those who would murder me!

See how they lie in wait to take my life:  
Powerful men conspiring against me,  
But not for any crime that I have done  
Or any sin that is in me, O LORD!

For no mischief on my part they do this:  
They run around, preparing to attack,  
Arouse Yourself to meet me and to see,  
For You Yourself are the LORD God of Hosts!

O, God of Israel, awake, I pray  
And visit all the nations round about,  
And show no mercy to those who deceive,  
Those who are plotting evil now. Selah!

They come at evening and they howl like dogs,  
They prowl around the town like beasts of prey.  
They bellow from the mouth, and from their lips  
Come swords, yet they think that no one can hear!

But You, O LORD, will laugh at them, I know,  
And You will scoff at all the nations, LORD.  
His strength I leave to You to bring to naught,  
For You, O God, are my bulwark and shield!

My God will meet me with His loyal love  
And let me look with triumph on my foes.  
Exterminate them in Your rage, O God,  
Exterminate them so they are no more!

And let them know that God is on the throne  
From Jacob to the ends of all the earth:  
They come at evening and they howl like dogs,  
They prowl around the town like beasts of prey.

They roam around as they are seeking prey:  
If they are not content, these people whine:  
But I myself will sing of Your great strength,  
Each morning sing about Your loyal love!

For You are my bulwark and my refuge  
At any time when I am in distress:  
I will sing praise to You, My Strength, my God,  
My bulwark and my God of loyal love!

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