

# Psalm 94

A God of vindication is the LORD.  
O, God of vindication, now shine forth,  
Rise up, Almighty judge of all the earth,  
And render to the proud their just deserts!

How long will wicked people triumph, LORD?  
How long will they now triumph over us?  
They belch forth and they gossip haughtily:  
The vaunt themselves and do iniquity!

They crush Your people, LORD, beneath their feet,  
And they oppress Your own inheritance:  
The widow and the sojourner they slay:  
They slaughter helpless orphans day by day!

They say: "The LORD does not see what we do:  
The God of Jacob pays no heed to us!"  
You dunderheads, when will you understand?  
You stupid fools, when will you become wise?

The One Who made the ear, does He not hear?  
The One Who formed the eye, does He not see?  
Will He not punish those whom He corrects,  
And teach true knowledge to the sons of men?

The LORD knows well the thoughts of Adam's race,  
For they are vanity and vain deceit:  
Happy are those whom the LORD disciplines,  
And whom You teach true wisdom from Your law

To give them rest and peace from evil days  
Until a pit is dug for wicked men:  
The LORD will not desert His people now:  
He will not forsake His inheritance!

For righteousness will come again and bring  
True justice to the upright in the end:  
For who will stand for Me against these men,  
And take a stand against those who do wrong?

Unless the LORD had been a help to me,  
I soon would dwell in Hades silently,  
For if I said, "My foot is slipping, LORD,  
Your loyal love would give new strength to me!

For when my cares were great within my mind,  
Your comforts brought great joy unto my soul:  
Can vile destruction be allied to You,  
Creating havoc against Your decree?"

These men condemn to death the innocent,  
And they attack the life of righteous men:  
The LORD is now a fortress unto me:  
The Rock where I find shelter is my God!

And He will bring upon them their own guilt:  
By their own evil they will all be killed!  
He will exterminate them from the earth:  
The LORD our God will make an end of them!

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