

# Psalm 141 - Deliverance from Evil

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[A Psalm of David.]

### Deliverance from Evil

1 LORD, I call upon You; hurry to me! Listen to my voice when I call to You!

1 O LORD, I call upon You; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to You!

1 LORD, I call to you, be quick to listen to me when I cry out!

1 LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

2 May my prayer be counted as incense before You; The raising of my hands as the evening offering.

2 May my prayer be counted as incense before You; The lifting up of my hands as the evening offering.

2 Let my prayer be like incense offered before you, and my uplifted hands like the evening sacrifice.

2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

3 Set a guard, LORD, over my mouth; Keep watch over the door of my lips.

3 Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; Keep watch over the door of my lips.

3 LORD, set a guard over my mouth; keep watch over the door to my lips.

3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

4 Do not incline my heart to any evil thing, To practice deeds of wickedness With people who do wrong; And may I not taste their delicacies.

4 Do not incline my heart to any evil thing, To practice deeds of wickedness With men who do iniquity; And do not let me eat of their delicacies.

4 Don't let my heart turn toward evil or involve itself in wicked activities with men who practice iniquity. Let me not feast on their delicacies.

4 Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.

5 May the righteous strike me with mercy and discipline me; It is oil for the head; My head shall not refuse it, For my prayer is still against their evil deeds.

**5** Let the righteous smite me in kindness and reprove me; It is oil upon the head; Do not let my head refuse it, For still my prayer is against their wicked deeds.

5 Let one who is righteous strike me; It is an act of gracious love. Let him rebuke me, because it is oil for my head; do not let my head refuse it. My prayers continuously will be against their wicked activities.

5 Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.

6 Their judges are thrown down by the sides of the rock, And they hear my words, for they are pleasant.

6 Their judges are thrown down by the sides of the rock, And they hear my words, for they are pleasant.

6 When their judges are thrown off the cliff, the people will hear my words, for they are appropriate.

6 When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.

7 As when one plows and breaks open the earth, Our bones have been scattered at the mouth of Sheol.

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7 Just as one plows and breaks up the earth, our bones are scattered near the entrance to the place of the dead.

7 Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth wood upon the earth.

**8** For my eyes are toward You, GOD, the Lord; In You I take refuge; do not leave me defenseless.

**8** For my eyes are toward You, O GOD, the Lord; In You I take refuge; do not leave me defenseless.

8 Nevertheless, my eyes are on you, Lord GOD, as I seek protection in you. Don't leave me defenseless!

8 But mine eyes are unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute.

9 Keep me from the jaws of the trap which they have set for me, And from the snares of those who do wrong.

9 Keep me from the jaws of the trap which they have set for me, And from the snares of those who do iniquity.

9 Protect me from the trap laid for me and from the snares of those who practice evil.

9 Keep me from the snares which they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity.

10 May the wicked fall into their own nets, While I pass by safely.

10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, While I pass by safely.

10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, while I come through.

10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal escape.