Leader: 1 Help, Lord; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men.

Response: **2 They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: with flattering lips and with a double heart do they speak.**

Leader: 3 The Lord shall cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaketh proud things:

Response: **4 Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips are our own: who is lord over us?**

Leader: 5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the Lord; I will set him in safety from him that puffeth at him.

Response: **6 The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.**

Leader: 7 Thou shalt keep them, O Lord, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.

Response: **8 The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted.**