Leader: 1 Hear, Yahweh, my righteous plea.

Give ear to my prayer that doesn’t go out of deceitful lips.

Response: **2 Let my sentence come out of Your presence.**

**Let Your eyes look on equity.**

Leader: 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.

Response: **4 As for the deeds of men, by the word of Your lips,**

**I have kept myself from the ways of the violent.**

Leader: 5 My steps have held fast to your paths.

My feet have not slipped.

Response: **6 I have called on You, for You will answer me, God.**

**Turn Your ear to me.**

**Hear my speech.**

Leader: 7 Show Your marvelous loving kindness,

You who save those who take refuge by Your right hand from their enemies.

Response: **8 Keep me as the apple of Your eye.**

**Hide me under the shadow of Your wings,**

Leader: 9 from the wicked who oppress me,

my deadly enemies, who surround me.

Response: **10 They close up their callous hearts.**

**With their mouth they speak proudly.**

Leader: 11 They have now surrounded us in our steps.

They set their eyes to cast us down to the earth.

Response: **12 He is like a lion that is greedy of his prey**

**as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.**

Leader: 13 Arise, Yahweh, confront him.

Cast him down.

Deliver my soul from the wicked by Your sword,

Response: **14 from men by your hand, Yahweh,**

**from men of the world, whose portion is in this life.**

Leader: You fill the belly of Your cherished ones.

Your sons have plenty,

and they store up wealth for their children.

Response: **15 As for me, I shall see Your face in righteousness.**

**I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with seeing Your form.**