Leader: 1 I love you, Yahweh, my strength.

Response: **2 Yahweh is my Rock, my Fortress, and my Deliverer;**

**my God, my Rock, in whom I take refuge;**

**my Shield, and the Horn of my Salvation, my high Tower.**

Leader: 3 I call on Yahweh, who is worthy to be praised;

and I am saved from my enemies.

Response: **4 The cords of death surrounded me.**

**The floods of ungodliness made me afraid.**

Leader: 5 The cords of Sheolwere around me.

The snares of death came on me.

Response: **6 In my distress I called on Yahweh,**

**and cried to my God.**

**He heard my voice out of His temple.**

**My cry before Him came into His ears.**

Leader: 7 Then the earth shook and trembled.

The foundations also of the mountains quaked and were shaken,

because He was angry.

Response: **8 Smoke went out of His nostrils.**

**Consuming fire came out of His mouth.**

**Coals were kindled by it.**

Leader: 9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down.

Thick darkness was under His feet.

Response: **10 He rode on a cherub, and flew.**

**Yes, He soared on the wings of the wind.**

Leader: 11 He made darkness His hiding place, His pavilion around Him,

darkness of waters, thick clouds of the skies.

Response: **12 At the brightness before Him his thick clouds passed,**

**hailstones and coals of fire.**

Leader: 13 Yahweh also thundered in the sky.

The Most High uttered His voice:

hailstones and coals of fire.

Response: **14 He sent out His arrows, and scattered them.**

**He routed them with great lightning bolts.**

Leader: 15 Then the channels of waters appeared.

The foundations of the world were laid bare at Your rebuke, Yahweh,

at the blast of the breath of Your nostrils.

Response: **16 He sent from on high.**

**He took me.**

**He drew me out of many waters.**

Leader: 17 He delivered me from my strong enemy,

from those who hated me; for they were too mighty for me.

Response: **18 They came on me in the day of my calamity,**

**but Yahweh was my support.**

Leader: 19 He brought me out also into a large place.

He delivered me, because He delighted in me.

Response: **20 Yahweh has rewarded me according to my righteousness.**

**According to the cleanness of my hands, He has recompensed me.**

Leader: 21 For I have kept the ways of Yahweh,

and have not wickedly departed from my God.

Response: **22 For all His ordinances were before me.**

**I didn’t put away His statutes from me.**

Leader: 23 I was also blameless with Him.

I kept myself from my iniquity.

Response: **24 Therefore Yahweh has rewarded me according to my righteousness,**

**according to the cleanness of my hands in His eyesight.**

Leader: 25 With the merciful You will show Yourself merciful.

With the perfect man, You will show Yourself perfect.

Response: **26 With the pure, You will show Yourself pure.**

**With the crooked You will show yourself shrewd.**

Leader: 27 For You will save the afflicted people,

but the arrogant eyes You will bring down.

Response: **28 For You will light my lamp, Yahweh.**

**My God will light up my darkness.**

Leader: 29 For by You, I advance through a troop.

By my God, I leap over a wall.

Response: **30 As for God, his way is perfect**

**Yahweh’s word is tried.**

**He is a shield to all those who take refuge in Him.**

Leader: 31 For who is God, except Yahweh?

Who is a rock, besides our God,

Response: **32 the God who arms me with strength, and makes my way perfect?**

Leader: 33 He makes my feet like deer’s feet,

and sets me on my high places.

Response: **34 He teaches my hands to war,**

**so that my arms bend a bow of bronze.**

Leader: 35 You have also given me the shield of Your salvation.

Your right hand sustains me.

Your gentleness has made me great.

Response: **36 You have enlarged my steps under me,**

**My feet have not slipped.**

Leader: 37 I will pursue my enemies, and overtake them.

I won’t turn away until they are consumed.

Response: **38 I will strike them through, so that they will not be able to rise.**

**They shall fall under my feet.**

Leader: 39 For You have armed me with strength to the battle.

You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.

Response: 40 You have also made my enemies turn their backs to me,

that I might cut off those who hate me.

Leader: 41 They cried, but there was no one to save;

even to Yahweh, but He didn’t answer them.

Response: **42 Then I beat them small as the dust before the wind.**

**I cast them out as the mire of the streets.**

Leader: 43 You have delivered me from the strivings of the people.

You have made me the head of the nations

A people whom I have not known shall serve me

Response: **44 As soon as they hear of me they shall obey me.**

**The foreigners shall submit themselves to me.**

Leader: 45 The foreigners shall fade away,

and shall come trembling out of their strongholds.

Response: **46 Yahweh lives! Blessed be my rock.**

**Exalted be the God of my salvation,**

Leader: 47 even the God who executes vengeance for me,

and subdues peoples under me.

Response: **48 He rescues me from my enemies.**

**Yes, You lift me up above those who rise up against me.**

**You deliver me from the violent man.**

Leader: 49 Therefore I will give thanks to You, Yahweh, among the nations,

and will sing praises to Your name.

Response: **50 He gives great deliverance to His king,**

**and shows loving kindness to His anointed,**

**to David and to his offspring, forever more.**