Leader: 1 Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not Thyself from my supplication.

Response: **2 Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a noise;**

Leader: 3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.

Response: **4 My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.**

Leader: 5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me.

Response: **6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! for then would I fly away, and be at rest.**

Leader: 7 Lo, then would I wander far off, and remain in the wilderness.

Response: **8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm and tempest.**

Leader: 9 Destroy, O Lord, and divide their tongues: for I have seen violence and strife in the city.

Response: **10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.**

Leader: 11 Wickedness is in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.

Response: **12 For it was not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have borne it: neither was it he that hated me that did magnify himself against me; then I would have hid myself from him**

Leader: 13 But it was thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.

Response: **14 We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God in company.**

Leader: 15 Let death seize upon them, and let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

Response: **16 As for me, I will call upon God; and the Lord shall save me.**

Leader: 17 Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and He shall hear my voice.

Response: **18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me: for there were many with me.**

Leader: 19 God shall hear, and afflict them, even he that abideth of old. Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.

Response: **20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: he hath broken His covenant.**

Leader: 21 The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords.

Response: **22 Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. 23But Thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in Thee.**