Leader: 1 Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me;

For my soul taketh refuge in Thee:

Yea, in the shadow of Thy wings will I take refuge,

Until *these* calamities be overpast.

Response: **2 I will cry unto God Most High,**

**Unto God that performeth *all things* for me.**

Leader: 3 He will send from heaven, and save me,

*When* he that would swallow me up reproacheth;

God will send forth His lovingkindness and his truth.

Response: **4 My soul is among lions;**

**I lie among them that are set on fire,**

**Even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows,**

**And their tongue a sharp sword.**

Leader: 5 Be Thou exalted, O God, above the heavens;

*Let* Thy glory *be* above all the earth.

Response: **6 They have prepared a net for my steps;**

**My soul is bowed down:**

**They have digged a pit before me;**

**They are fallen into the midst thereof themselves.**

Leader: 7 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed:

I will sing, yea, I will sing praises.

Response: **8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp:**

**I myself will awake right early.**

Leader: 9 I will give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, among the peoples:

I will sing praises unto Thee among the nations.

Response: **10 For Thy lovingkindness is great unto the heavens,**

**And Thy truth unto the skies.**

**11 Be Thou exalted, O God, above the heavens;**

***Let* Thy glory *be* above all the earth.**