Leader: 1 Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God:

Set me on high from them that rise up against me.

Response: **2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity,**

**And save me from the bloodthirsty men.**

Leader: 3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul;

The mighty gather themselves together against me:

Not for my transgression, nor for my sin, O Jehovah.

Response: **4 They run and prepare themselves without *my* fault:**

**Awake Thou to help me, and behold.**

Leader: 5 Even Thou, O Jehovah God of hosts, the God of Israel,

Arise to visit all the nations:

Be not merciful to any wicked transgressors.

Response: **6 They return at evening, they howl like a dog,**

**And go round about the city.**

Leader: 7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth;

Swords are in their lips:

For who, *say they*, doth hear?

Response: **8 But Thou, O Jehovah, wilt laugh at them;**

**Thou wilt have all the nations in derision.**

Leader: 9 *Because of* His strength I will give heed unto Thee;

For God is my high tower.

Response: **10 My God with His lovingkindness will meet me:**

**God will let me see *my desire* upon mine enemies.**

Leader: 11 Slay them not, lest my people forget:

Scatter them by thy power, and bring them down,

O Lord our shield.

Response: **12 *For* the sin of their mouth, *and* the words of their lips,**

**Let them even be taken in their pride,**

**And for cursing and lying which they speak.**

Leader: 13 Consume them in wrath, consume them, so that they shall be no more:

And let them know that God ruleth in Jacob,

Unto the ends of the earth.

Response: **14 And at evening let them return, let them howl like a dog,**

**And go round about the city.**

Leader: 15 They shall wander up and down for food,

And tarry all night if they be not satisfied.

Response: **16 But I will sing of Thy strength;**

**Yea, I will sing aloud of Thy lovingkindness in the morning:**

Leader: For Thou hast been my high tower,

And a refuge in the day of my distress.

Response: **17 Unto Thee, O my strength, will I sing praises:**

**For God is my high tower, the God of my mercy.**