Leader: 1 Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me.

Response: **2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloody men.**

Leader: 3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul: the mighty are gathered against me; not for my transgression, nor for my sin, O Lord.

Response: **4 They run and prepare themselves without my fault: awake to help me, and behold.**

Leader: 5 Thou therefore, O Lord God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors.

Response: **6 They return at evening: they make a noise 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 Lord, shalt laugh at them; Thou shalt have all the heathen in derision.**

Leader: 9 Because of his strength will I wait upon Thee: for God is my defence.

Response: **10 The God of my mercy shall prevent me: God shall 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, that they may not be: and let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth.

Response: **14 And at evening let them return; and let them make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.**

Leader: 15 Let them wander up and down for meat, and grudge if they be not satisfied.

Response: **16 But I will sing of Thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of Thy mercy in the morning:**

Leader: for Thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

Response: **17 Unto Thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defence, and the God of my mercy.**