Leader: 1 How lovely are Your dwellings

Yahweh of Armies!

Response: **2 My soul longs, and even faints for the courts of Yahweh.**

**My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.**

Leader: 3 Yes, the sparrow has found a home,

and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young,

near your altars, Yahweh of Armies, my King, and my God.

Response: **4 Blessed are those who dwell in Your house.**

**They are always praising You.**

Leader: 5 Blessed are those whose strength is in You,

who have set their hearts on a pilgrimage.

Response: **6 Passing through the valley of Weeping, they make it a place of springs.**

**Yes, the autumn rain covers it with blessings.**

Leader: 7 They go from strength to strength.

Every one of them appears before God in Zion.

Response: **8 Yahweh, God of Armies, hear my prayer.**

**Listen, God of Jacob.**

Leader: 9 Behold, God our shield,

look at the face of Your anointed.

Response: **10 For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand.**

**I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God,**

**than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

Leader: 11 For Yahweh God is a sun and a shield.

Yahweh will give grace and glory.

He withholds no good thing from those who walk blamelessly.

Response: **12 Yahweh of Armies,**

**blessed is the man who trusts in You.**