Leader: 1 Blessed are those whose ways are blameless,

who walk according to Yahweh’s law.

Answer: **2 Blessed are those who keep His statutes,**

**who seek Him with their whole heart.**

Leader: 3 Yes, they do nothing wrong.

They walk in His ways.

Answer: **4 You have commanded Your precepts,**

**that we should fully obey them.**

Leader: 5 Oh that my ways were steadfast

to obey Your statutes!

Answer: **6 Then I wouldn’t be disappointed,**

**when I consider all of Your commandments.**

Leader: 7 I will give thanks to You with uprightness of heart,

when I learn Your righteous judgments.

Answer: **8 I will observe Your statutes.**

**Don’t utterly forsake me.**

Leader: 9 How can a young man keep his way pure?

By living according to Your word.

Answer: **10 With my whole heart, I have sought You.**

**Don’t let me wander from Your commandments.**

Leader: 11 I have hidden Your word in my heart,

that I might not sin against You.

Answer: **12 Blessed are you, Yahweh.**

**Teach me Your statutes.**

Leader: 13 With my lips,

I have declared all the ordinances of Your mouth.

Answer: **14 I have rejoiced in the way of Your testimonies,**

**as much as in all riches.**

Leader: 15 I will meditate on your precepts,

and consider your ways.

Answer: **16 I will delight myself in Your statutes.**

**I will not forget Your word.**

Leader: 17 Do good to Your servant.

I will live and I will obey Your word.

Answer: **18 Open my eyes,**

**that I may see wondrous things out of Your law.**

Leader: 19 I am a stranger on the earth.

Don’t hide Your commandments from me.

Answer: **20 My soul is consumed with longing for Your ordinances at all times.**

Leader: 21 You have rebuked the proud who are cursed,

who wander from Your commandments.

Answer: **22 Take reproach and contempt away from me,**

**for I have kept Your statutes.**

Leader: 23 Though princes sit and slander me,

Your servant will meditate on your statutes.

Answer: **24 Indeed Your statutes are my delight,**

**and my counselors.**

Leader: 25 My soul is laid low in the dust.

Revive me according to Your word!

Answer: **26 I declared my ways, and You answered me.**

**Teach me Your statutes.**

Leader: 27 Let me understand the teaching of Your precepts!

Then I will meditate on Your wondrous works.

Answer: **28 My soul is weary with sorrow:**

**strengthen me according to Your word.**

Leader: 29 Keep me from the way of deceit.

Grant me Your law graciously!

Answer: **30 I have chosen the way of truth.**

**I have set Your ordinances before me.**

Leader: 31 I cling to Your statutes, Yahweh.

Don’t let me be disappointed.

Answer: **32 I run in the path of Your commandments,**

**for You have set my heart free.**

Leader: 33 Teach me, Yahweh, the way of Your statutes.

I will keep them to the end.

Answer: **34 Give me understanding, and I will keep Your law.**

**Yes, I will obey it with my whole heart.**

Leader: 35 Direct me in the path of Your commandments,

for I delight in them.

Answer: **36 Turn my heart toward Your statutes,**

**not toward selfish gain.**

Leader: 37 Turn my eyes away from looking at worthless things.

Revive me in Your ways.

Answer: **38 Fulfill Your promise to Your servant,**

**that You may be feared.**

Leader: 39 Take away my disgrace that I dread,

for Your ordinances are good.

Answer: **40 Behold, I long for Your precepts!**

**Revive me in Your righteousness.**

Leader: 41 Let Your loving kindness also come to me, Yahweh,

Your salvation, according to Your word.

Answer: **42 So I will have an answer for him who reproaches me,**

**for I trust in Your word.**

Leader: 43 Don’t snatch the word of truth out of my mouth,

for I put my hope in Your ordinances.

Answer: **44 So I will obey Your law continually,**

**forever and ever.**

Leader: 45 I will walk in liberty,

for I have sought Your precepts.

Answer: **46 I will also speak of Your statutes before kings,**

**and will not be disappointed.**

Leader: 47 I will delight myself in Your commandments,

because I love them.

Answer: **48 I reach out my hands for your commandments, which I love.**

**I will meditate on Your statutes.**

Leader: 49 Remember Your word to Your servant,

because You gave me hope.

Answer: **50 This is my comfort in my affliction,**

**for Your word has revived me.**

Leader: 51 The arrogant mock me excessively,

but I don’t swerve from Your law.

Answer: **52 I remember Your ordinances of old, Yahweh,**

**and have comforted myself.**

Leader: 53 Indignation has taken hold on me,

because of the wicked who forsake Your law.

Answer: **54 Your statutes have been my songs**

**in the house where I live.**

Leader: 55 I have remembered Your name, Yahweh, in the night,

and I obey Your law.

Answer: **56 This is my way,**

**that I keep Your precepts.**

Leader: 57 Yahweh is my portion.

I promised to obey Your words.

Answer: **58 I sought Your favor with my whole heart.**

**Be merciful to me according to Your word.**

Leader: 59 I considered my ways,

and turned my steps to Your statutes.

Answer: **60 I will hurry, and not delay,**

**to obey Your commandments.**

Leader: 61 The ropes of the wicked bind me,

but I won’t forget Your law.

Answer: **62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks to You,**

**because of Your righteous ordinances.**

Leader: 63 I am a friend of all those who fear You,

of those who observe Your precepts.

Answer: **64 The earth is full of Your loving kindness, Yahweh.**

**Teach me Your statutes.**

Leader: 65 You have treated Your servant well,

according to Your word, Yahweh.

Answer: **66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge,**

**for I believe in Your commandments.**

Leader: 67 Before I was afflicted, I went astray;

but now I observe Your word.

Answer: **68 You are good, and do good.**

**Teach me Your statutes.**

Leader: 69 The proud have smeared a lie upon me.

With my whole heart, I will keep Your precepts.

Answer: **70 Their heart is as callous as the fat,**

**but I delight in Your law.**

Leader: 71 It is good for me that I have been afflicted,

that I may learn Your statutes.

Answer: **72 The law of Your mouth is better to me than thousands of pieces of gold and silver.**

Leader: 73 Your hands have made me and formed me.

Give me understanding, that I may learn Your commandments.

Answer: **74 Those who fear You will see me and be glad,**

**because I have put my hope in Your word.**

Leader: 75 Yahweh, I know that Your judgments are righteous,

that in faithfulness You have afflicted me.

Answer: **76 Please let Your loving kindness be for my comfort,**

**according to Your word to Your servant.**

Leader: 77 Let Your tender mercies come to me, that I may live;

for Your law is my delight.

Answer: **78 Let the proud be disappointed, for they have overthrown me wrongfully.**

**I will meditate on Your precepts.**

Leader: 79 Let those who fear You turn to me.

They will know Your statutes.

Answer: **80 Let my heart be blameless toward Your decrees,**

**that I may not be disappointed.**

Leader: 81 My soul faints for your salvation.

I hope in Your word.

Answer: **82 My eyes fail for Your word.**

**I say, “When will You comfort me?”**

Leader: 83 For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke.

I don’t forget Your statutes.

Answer: **84 How many are the days of Your servant?**

**When will You execute judgment on those who persecute me?**

Leader: 85 The proud have dug pits for me,

contrary to Your law.

Answer: **86 All of Your commandments are faithful.**

**They persecute me wrongfully.**

**Help me!**

Leader: 87 They had almost wiped me from the earth,

but I didn’t forsake Your precepts.

Answer: **88 Preserve my life according to Your loving kindness,**

**so I will obey the statutes of Your mouth.**

Leader: 89 Yahweh, Your word is settled in heaven forever.

Answer: **90 Your faithfulness is to all generations.**

**You have established the earth, and it remains.**

Leader: 91 Your laws remain to this day,

for all things serve You.

Answer: **92 Unless Your law had been my delight,**

**I would have perished in my affliction.**

Leader: 93 I will never forget Your precepts,

for with them, You have revived me.

Answer: **94 I am Yours.**

**Save me, for I have sought Your precepts.**

Leader: 95 The wicked have waited for me, to destroy me.

I will consider Your statutes.

Answer: **96 I have seen a limit to all perfection,**

**but Your commands are boundless.**

Leader: 97 How I love Your law!

It is my meditation all day.

Answer: **98 Your commandments make me wiser than my enemies,**

**for Your commandments are always with me.**

Leader: 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers,

for Your testimonies are my meditation.

Answer: **100 I understand more than the aged,**

**because I have kept Your precepts.**

Leader: 101 I have kept my feet from every evil way,

that I might observe Your word.

Answer: **102 I have not turned away from Your ordinances,**

**for You have taught me.**

Leader: 103 How sweet are Your promises to my taste,

more than honey to my mouth!

Answer: **104 Through Your precepts, I get understanding;**

**therefore I hate every false way.**

Leader: 105 Your word is a lamp to my feet,

and a light for my path.

Answer: **106 I have sworn, and have confirmed it,**

**that I will obey Your righteous ordinances.**

Leader: 107 I am afflicted very much.

Revive me, Yahweh, according to Your word.

Answer: **108 Accept, I beg You, the willing offerings of my mouth.**

**Yahweh, teach me Your ordinances.**

Leader: 109 My soul is continually in my hand,

yet I won’t forget Your law.

Answer: **110 The wicked have laid a snare for me,**

**yet I haven’t gone astray from Your precepts.**

Leader: 111 I have taken Your testimonies as a heritage forever,

for they are the joy of my heart.

Answer: **112 I have set my heart to perform Your statutes forever,**

**even to the end.**

Leader: 113 I hate double-minded men,

but I love Your law.

Answer: **114 You are my hiding place and my shield.**

**I hope in Your word.**

Leader: 115 Depart from me, you evildoers,

that I may keep the commandments of my God.

Answer: **116 Uphold me according to Your word, that I may live.**

**Let me not be ashamed of my hope.**

Leader: 117 Hold me up, and I will be safe,

and will have respect for Your statutes continually.

Answer: **118 You reject all those who stray from Your statutes,**

**for their deceit is in vain.**

Leader: 119 You put away all the wicked of the earth like dross.

Therefore I love Your testimonies.

Answer: **120 My flesh trembles for fear of You.**

**I am afraid of Your judgments.**

Leader: 121 I have done what is just and righteous.

Don’t leave me to my oppressors.

Answer: **122 Ensure Your servant’s well-being.**

**Don’t let the proud oppress me.**

Leader: 123 My eyes fail looking for Your salvation,

for Your righteous word.

Answer: **124 Deal with Your servant according to Your loving kindness.**

**Teach me Your statutes.**

Leader: 125 I am Your servant. Give me understanding,

that I may know Your testimonies.

Answer: **126 It is time to act, Yahweh,**

**for they break Your law.**

Leader: 127 Therefore I love Your commandments more than gold,

yes, more than pure gold.

Answer: **128 Therefore I consider all of Your precepts to be right.**

**I hate every false way.**

Leader: 129 Your testimonies are wonderful,

therefore my soul keeps them.

Answer: **130 The entrance of Your words gives light.**

**It gives understanding to the simple.**

Leader: 131 I opened my mouth wide and panted,

for I longed for Your commandments.

Answer: **132 Turn to me, and have mercy on me,**

**as You always do to those who love Your name.**

Leader: 133 Establish my footsteps in Your word.

Don’t let any iniquity have dominion over me.

Answer: **134 Redeem me from the oppression of man,**

**so I will observe Your precepts.**

Leader: 135 Make Your face shine on Your servant.

Teach me Your statutes.

Answer: **136 Streams of tears run down my eyes,**

**because they don’t observe Your law.**

Leader: 137 You are righteous, Yahweh.

Your judgments are upright.

Answer: **138 You have commanded Your statutes in righteousness.**

**They are fully trustworthy.**

Leader: 139 My zeal wears me out,

because my enemies ignore Your words.

Answer: **140 Your promises have been thoroughly tested,**

**and Your servant loves them.**

Leader: 141 I am small and despised.

I don’t forget Your precepts.

Answer: **142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness.**

**Your law is truth.**

Leader: 143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold of me.

Your commandments are my delight.

Answer: **144 Your testimonies are righteous forever.**

**Give me understanding, that I may live.**

Leader: 145 I have called with my whole heart.

Answer me, Yahweh!

I will keep Your statutes.

Answer: **146 I have called to You. Save me!**

**I will obey Your statutes.**

Leader: 147 I rise before dawn and cry for help.

I put my hope in Your words.

Answer: **148 My eyes stay open through the night watches,**

**that I might meditate on Your word.**

Leader: 149 Hear my voice according to Your loving kindness.

Revive me, Yahweh, according to Your ordinances.

Answer: **150 They draw near who follow after wickedness.**

**They are far from Your law.**

Leader: 151 You are near, Yahweh.

All Your commandments are truth.

Answer: **152 Of old I have known from Your testimonies,**

**that You have founded them forever.**

Leader: 153 Consider my affliction, and deliver me,

for I don’t forget Your law.

Answer: **154 Plead my cause, and redeem me!**

**Revive me according to Your promise.**

Leader: 155 Salvation is far from the wicked,

for they don’t seek Your statutes.

Answer: **156 Great are Your tender mercies, Yahweh.**

**Revive me according to Your ordinances.**

Leader: 157 Many are my persecutors and my adversaries.

I haven’t swerved from Your testimonies.

Answer: **158 I look at the faithless with loathing,**

**because they don’t observe Your word.**

Leader: 159 Consider how I love Your precepts.

Revive me, Yahweh, according to Your loving kindness.

Answer: **160 All of Your words are truth.**

**Every one of Your righteous ordinances endures forever.**

Leader: 161 Princes have persecuted me without a cause,

but my heart stands in awe of Your words.

Answer: **162 I rejoice at Your word,**

**as one who finds great plunder.**

Leader: 163 I hate and abhor falsehood.

I love Your law.

Answer: **164 Seven times a day, I praise you,**

**because of Your righteous ordinances.**

Leader: 165 Those who love Your law have great peace.

Nothing causes them to stumble.

Answer: **166 I have hoped for Your salvation, Yahweh.**

**I have done Your commandments.**

Leader: 167 My soul has observed Your testimonies.

I love them exceedingly.

Answer: **168 I have obeyed Your precepts and Your testimonies,**

**for all my ways are before You.**

Leader: 169 Let my cry come before you, Yahweh.

Give me understanding according to Your word.

Answer: **170 Let my supplication come before You.**

**Deliver me according to Your word.**

Leader: 171 Let my lips utter praise,

for you teach me Your statutes.

Answer: **172 Let my tongue sing of Your word,**

**for all Your commandments are righteousness.**

Leader: 173 Let Your hand be ready to help me,

for I have chosen Your precepts.

Answer: **174 I have longed for your salvation, Yahweh.**

**Your law is my delight.**

Leader: 175 Let my soul live, that I may praise You.

Let Your ordinances help me.

Answer: **176 I have gone astray like a lost sheep.**

**Seek Your servant, for I don’t forget Your commandments.**