Leader: 1 If it had not been Yahweh who was on our side,

let Israel now say,

Answer: **2 if it had not been Yahweh who was on our side,**

**when men rose up against us;**

Leader: 3 then they would have swallowed us up alive,

when their wrath was kindled against us;

Answer: **4 then the waters would have overwhelmed us,**

**the stream would have gone over our soul;**

Leader: 5 then the proud waters would have gone over our soul.

Answer: **6 Blessed be Yahweh,**

**who has not given us as a prey to their teeth.**

Leader: 7 Our soul has escaped like a bird out of the fowler’s snare.

The snare is broken, and we have escaped.

Answer: **8 Our help is in Yahweh’s name,**

**who made heaven and earth.**