Leader: 1 Praise Yah,

for it is good to sing praises to our God;

for it is pleasant and fitting to praise Him.

Answer: **2 Yahweh builds up Jerusalem.**

**He gathers together the outcasts of Israel.**

Leader: 3 He heals the broken in heart,

and binds up their wounds.

Answer: **4 He counts the number of the stars.**

**He calls them all by their names.**

Leader: 5 Great is our Lord, and mighty in power.

His understanding is infinite.

Answer: **6 Yahweh upholds the humble.**

**He brings the wicked down to the ground.**

Leader: 7 Sing to Yahweh with thanksgiving.

Sing praises on the harp to our God,

Answer: **8 who covers the sky with clouds,**

**who prepares rain for the earth,**

**who makes grass grow on the mountains.**

Leader: 9 He provides food for the livestock,

and for the young ravens when they call.

Answer: **10 He doesn’t delight in the strength of the horse.**

**He takes no pleasure in the legs of a man.**

Leader: 11 Yahweh takes pleasure in those who fear Him,

in those who hope in His loving kindness.

Answer: **12 Praise Yahweh, Jerusalem!**

**Praise your God, Zion!**

Leader: 13 For He has strengthened the bars of your gates.

He has blessed your children within you.

Answer: **14 He makes peace in your borders.**

**He fills you with the finest of the wheat.**

Leader: 15 He sends out His commandment to the earth.

His word runs very swiftly.

Answer: **16 He gives snow like wool,**

**and scatters frost like ashes.**

Leader: 17 He hurls down His hail like pebbles.

Who can stand before His cold?

Answer: **18 He sends out His word, and melts them**

**He causes His wind to blow, and the waters flow.**

Leader: 19 He shows His word to Jacob,

His statutes and His ordinances to Israel.

Answer: **20 He has not done this for just any nation.**

**They don’t know His ordinances.**

**Praise Yah!**