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A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.

<sup>1</sup> **O** LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

<sup>2</sup> For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.

<sup>3</sup> *There is* no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither *is there any* rest in my bones because of my sin.

<sup>4</sup> For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.

<sup>5</sup> My wounds stink *and* are corrupt because of my foolishness.

<sup>6</sup> I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.

<sup>7</sup> For my loins are filled with a loathsome *disease*: and *there is* no soundness in my flesh.

<sup>8</sup> I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.

<sup>9</sup> Lord, all my desire *is* before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.

<sup>10</sup> My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me.

<sup>11</sup> My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.

<sup>12</sup> They also that seek after my life lay snares *for me*: and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.

<sup>13</sup> But I, as a deaf *man*, heard not; and *I was* as a dumb man *that* openeth not his mouth.

<sup>14</sup> Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.

<sup>15</sup> For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.

<sup>16</sup> For I said, *Hear me*, lest *otherwise* they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify *themselves* against me.

<sup>17</sup> For I *am* ready to halt, and my sorrow *is* continually before me.

<sup>18</sup> For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.

<sup>19</sup> But mine enemies *are* lively, *and* they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

<sup>20</sup> They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries; because I follow *the thing that good is*.

<sup>21</sup> Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.

<sup>22</sup> Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation.