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To the chief Musician upon Jonath-elem-rechokim, Michtam of David, when the Philistines took him in Gath.

¹ **B**E merciful unto me, O God: for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me.

² Mine enemies would daily swallow *me* up: for *they be* many that fight against me, O thou most High.

³ What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

⁴ In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

⁵ Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts *are* against me for evil.

⁶ They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul.

⁷ Shall they escape by iniquity? in *thine* anger cast down the people, O God.

⁸ Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: *are they* not in thy book?

⁹ When I cry *unto thee*, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God *is* for me.

¹⁰ In God will I praise *his* word: in the LORD will I praise *his* word.

¹¹ In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

¹² Thy vows *are* upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee.

¹³ For thou hast delivered my soul from death: *wilt* not *thou deliver* my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?