

72 : 1 **PSALMUS ASĀF: Quam bonus Israhēl Deus hīs, quī rēctō sunt corde.**

A psalm for Asaph: How good is God to Israel, to them that are of a right heart.

72 : 2 **Meī autem paene mōtī sunt pedēs; paene effūsī sunt gressūs meī,**

But my feet were almost moved; my steps had well nigh slipped,

72 : 3 **quia zelāvī super inīquōs, pācem peccātōrum vidēns,**

because I had a zeal on occasion of the wicked, seeing the prosperity of sinners,

72 : 4 **quia nōn est respectus mortī eōrum, et firmāmentum in plāgā eōrum.**

for there is no regard to their death, nor is there strength in their scourge.

72 : 5 **In labōre hominum nōn sunt, et cum hominibus nōn flagellābuntur.**

They are not in the labour of men, neither shall they be scourged like other men.

72 : 6 **Ideō tenuit eōs superbia; opertī sunt inīquitāte et impietāte suā.**

Therefore pride hath held them fast; they are covered with their iniquity and their wickedness.

72 : 7 **Prōdiit quasi ex adipe inīquitās eōrum; trānsiērunt in affectum cordis.**

Their iniquity hath come forth as it were from fatness; they have passed into the affection of the heart.

72 : 8 **Cōgitāvērunt et locūtī sunt nēquitiam; inīquitātem in excelsō locūtī sunt.**

They have thought and spoken wickedness; they have spoken iniquity on high.

72 : 9 **Posuērunt in caelum ōs suum, et lingua eōrum trānsīvit in terrā.**

They have set their mouth against heaven, and their tongue hath passed through the earth.

72 : 10 **Ideō convertētur populus meus hīc, et diēs plēnī invenientur in eīs.**

Therefore will my people return here, and full days shall be found in them.

72 : 11 **Et dīxērunt: Quōmodo scit Deus? Et sī est scientia in excelsō?**

And they said: How doth God know? And is there knowledge in the most High?

72 : 12 **Ecce ipsī peccātōrēs, et abundantēs in saeculō, obtinuērunt dīvitiās.**

Behold these are sinners; and yet, abounding in the world they have obtained riches.

72 : 13 **Et dīxī: Ergō sine causā jūstificāvī cor meum, et lāvī inter innocentēs manūs meās,**

And I said: Then have I in vain justified my heart, and washed my hands among the innocent,

72 : 14 **et fuī flagellātus tōtā diē, et castīgatiō mea in mātūtīnīs.**

and I have been scourged all the day, and my chastisement hath been in the mornings.

72 : 15 **Sī dīcēbam: Nārrābō sīc; ecce nātiōnem filiōrum tuōrum reprobāvī.**

If I said: I will speak thus; behold I should condemn the generation of thy children.

72 : 16 **Exīstimābam ut cognōscerem hoc, labor est ante mē,**

I studied that I might know this thing, it is a labour in my sight,

72 : 17 **dōnec intrem in Sānctuārium Deī, et intellegam in novissimīs eōrum.**

until I go into the sanctuary of God, and understand concerning their last ends.

72 : 18 **Vērumtamen propter dolōs posuistī eīs; dēiēcistī eōs dum allevārentur.**

But indeed for deceits thou hast put it to them; when they were lifted up thou hast cast them down.

72 : 19 **Quōmodo factī sunt in dēsōlātiōnem? Subitō dēfēcērunt; periērunt propter inīquitātem suam.**

How are they brought to desolation? They have suddenly ceased to be; they have perished by reason of their iniquity.

72 : 20 **Velut somnium surgentium, Domine, in cīvitāte tuā imāginem ipsōrum ad nihilum redigēs.**

As the dream of them that awake, O Lord, in thy city thou shalt bring their image to nothing.

72 : 21 **Quia īnflammātum est cor meum, et rēnēs meī commūtātī sunt,**

For my heart hath been inflamed, and my reins have been changed,

72 : 22 **et ego ad nihilum redāctus sum, et nescīvī, ut jūmentum factus sum apud tē.**

and I am brought to nothing, and I knew not, and I am become as a beast before thee.

72 : 23 **Et ego semper tēcum; tenuistī manum dexteram meam,**

And I am always with thee; thou hast held me by my right hand,

72 : 24 **et in voluntāte tuā dēdūxistī mē, et cum glōriā suscēpistī mē.**

and by thy will thou hast conducted me, and with thy glory thou hast received me.

72 : 25 **Quid enim mihī est in caelō? Et ā tē quid voluī super terram?**

For what have I in heaven? And besides thee what do I desire upon earth?

72 : 26 **Dēfēcit carō mea et cor meum; Deus cordis meī, et pars mea Deus in aeternum.**

For thee my flesh and my heart hath fainted away; thou art the God of my heart, and the God that is my portion for ever.

72 : 27 **Quia ecce quī ēlongant sē ā tē perībunt; perdidistī omnēs quī fornicantur ā tē.**

For behold they that go far from thee shall perish; thou hast destroyed all them that are disloyal to thee.

72 : 28 **Mihī autem adhaerēre Deō bonum est, pōnere in Dominō Deō spem meam, ut adnūntiem omnēs praedicātiōnēs tuās in portīs filiae Siōn.**

But it is good for me to adhere to my God, to put my hope in the Lord God: That I may declare all thy praises in the gates of the daughter of Sion.