### Psalms

## Chapter 53

To the [music] director:  
  
A Psalm for the harp.  
  
A contemplation of David.  
  
  
  
  
1‘There is no God,’ say the fools in their hearts;  
 So, they’re corrupt and disgusting.  
 For, they’re breaking [God’s] Laws,  
 And they don’t choose to do what’s right!  
  
2God looks upon them from His place in the skies,  
 Since He watches what sons of men do  
 To see if they’re paying attention,  
 And if any are searching for Him.  
 3But, they’ve all turned aside and are useless;  
 There are none who do good… No, not one!  
  
4Don’t they know (those acting without law…  
 Those eating [God’s] people like bread),  
 That they should [search for] Jehovah?  
 5And for this, they fear when there’s nothing to fear.  
  
For, God will scatter the bones  
 Of those who try to please men.  
 And since they live their lives in disgrace,  
 God treats them all with contempt.  
  
6Now, who’ll be appointed from Zion  
 To become IsraEl’s savior?  
 For, when God returns all the captives,  
 Jacob will cry out in joy,  
 And IsraEl will once more be happy!