### Psalms

## Chapter 58

To the [music] director:  
  
[Set to the tune of the song called] Do Not Destroy by David.  
  
An inscription on a monument.  
  
  
  
  
1Won’t You speak out for righteous ways,  
 And won’t You, in justice, judge sons of men?  
 2For their hearts have brought lawless ways to our land,  
 And their hands are wrapped in injustice!  
  
3Sinners come out of the womb  
 And wander from the belly speaking lies.  
 4Their rage is like that of serpents,  
 And as asps that can’t speak, for their ears have been closed,  
 5So they can’t hear the sounds of [snake] charmers,  
 [And they strike] with the potions of witches.  
 6But now, God has broken the teeth in their mouths…  
 Their molars of lions, He’s shattered.  
  
7He views them as though they’re just water,  
 And He will stretch tight His bow ‘til they’re conquered…  
 8Like melted beeswax, they’ll be removed;  
 For, He will strike them with fire,  
 And thereafter, they’ll not see the sun anymore.  
 9As white-thorned shrubs, He views their thorn-bushes;  
 And He will swallow them down still alive.  
  
10We’ll all rejoice when we see they’ve been punished,  
 And wash our hands in the blood of those sinners.  
 11Thereafter, each man will be forced to declare  
 That this is the fruitage of justice,  
 And there’s a God who brings what’s fair to the land.