**PSALM 55**

Miserere mei, Deus.

*A prayer of David in danger and distress.*

**1** Unto the end, for a people that is removed at a distance from the sanctuary: for David, for an inscription of a title *(or pillar)* when the Philistines held him in Geth.

**2** Have mercy on me, O God, for man hath trodden me under foot; all the day long he hath afflicted me fighting against me.

**3** My enemies have trodden on me all the day long; for they are many that make war against me.

**4** From the height of the day I shall fear: but I will trust in thee.

**5** In God I will praise my words, in God I have put my trust: I will not fear what flesh can do against me.

**6** All the day long they detested my words: all their thoughts were against me unto evil.

**7** They will dwell and hide themselves: they will watch my heel. As they have waited for my soul,

**8** for nothing shalt thou save them: in thy anger thou shalt break the people in pieces. O God,

**9** I have declared to thee my life: thou hast set my tears in thy sight, As also in thy promise.

**10** Then shall my enemies be turned back. In what day soever I shall call upon thee, behold I know thou art my God.

**11** In God will I praise the word, in the Lord will I praise his speech. In God have I hoped, I will not fear what man can do to me.

**12** In me, O God, are vows to thee, which I will pay, praises to thee:

**13** Because thou hast delivered my soul from death, my feet from falling: that I may please in the sight of God, in the light of the living.