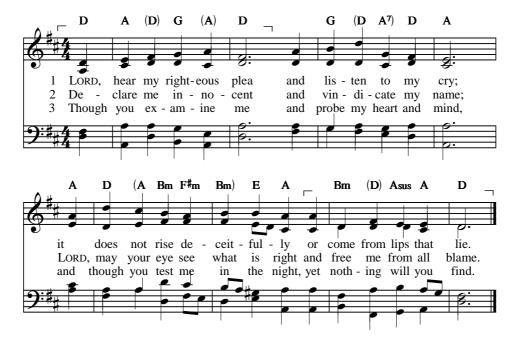
17 LORD, hear my righteous plea



- I said, "I will not sin in anything I say."From those who practise violence I have kept far away.
- From every evil path by your word I'm preserved.My feet have held to all your ways; from them I have not swerved.
- I call on you, O God,
 for you will answer me;
 O turn your ear towards my prayer
 and hear my earnest plea.
- 7 Display your steadfast love and save with your right hand all those who flee for help to you when foes against them stand.

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- 8 In shadow of your wings hide me in times of strife; and as the apple of your eye preserve and guard my life.
- 9 Hide me from ruthless foes who follow wicked ways, from those who circle me about and seek to end my days.
- 10 They close their callous hearts; they speak with swelling pride. They dog my steps; my enemies are found on every side.
- 11 They fix their eyes on me to cast me to the ground.Like hungry lions stalking prey, they crouch without a sound.
- 12 Arise, confront my foes and bring them down, O LORD; deliver me from wicked hands and free me by your sword.
- 13 Save me by your right hand from all such people, LORD, from mortal men who in this life will have their sole reward.
- 14 You fill them with good things; their sons are satisfied.They leave their children all the wealth which they have set aside.
- 15 But I in righteousness your face will surely see; and with your likeness, when I wake, I satisfied will be.