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O LORD, I call to you

Em (C) Am B⁷ Em G Am (D) G

1 O LORD, I call to you. Come quick-ly! I'm in need!
 2 Like in-cense may my prayer be-fore your face a-rise-
 3 Keep watch, LORD, on my mouth, and guard my lips, I pray;

(Em) D C (D⁷) G D (G) Am (Em) B⁷ Em

And, when I cry to you for help, to my ap-peal give heed.
 the rais-ing of my hands be like the eve-ning sac-ri-fice.
 let not my heart to e-vil thoughts be drawn and led a-stray.

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| <p>4 Keep me from taking part in what the evil do; let me not taste their choicest food, lest I be false to you.</p> | <p>7 The wicked then will know my words were spoken well. Like ground that's ploughed, their bones are strewn before the mouth of hell.</p> |
| <p>5 A righteous friend's rebuke will be a soothing balm; such blows, in kindness aimed at me, will never do me harm.</p> | <p>8 But now, O Sovereign LORD, on you I fix my gaze; do not deliver me to death – you are my help always.</p> |
| <p>6 Against the wicked's deeds I make my constant prayer; their rulers will be thrown from cliffs, and they will perish there.</p> | <p>9 Protect me from the traps the wicked set for me, and let them be ensnared themselves, while I instead go free.</p> |