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- 4 The LORD sits forever as King on his throne; his rule is established for justice alone. He judges the world and he does what is right; he governs the nations with justice and might.
- 5 The LORD is a stronghold in times of distress, a refuge for those whom the wicked oppress. Your people who know you will trust in your grace; you've never forsaken those seeking your face.
- 6 Praise GoD, who in Zion has founded his throne; proclaim to the nations the deeds he has done. The cry of afflicted ones rings in his ear; their blood he avenges, their plea he will hear.
- 7 LORD, see what I suffer from malice and hate! Have pity, and lift me away from death's gate, that I in Jerusalem's gates may proclaim your mercy, and sing to the praise of your name.
- 8 The nations are sunk in the pit they prepared; their feet in the net which they hid are ensnared. The LORD by his justice has made himself known; and by their own works are the wicked cast down.
- 9 The wicked return to the grave's dark abode, all nations and those who are heedless of God. But God will remember the cause of the weak; he will not let perish the hope of the meek.
- 10 Arise, O my GoD! Let not man win the day; let nations be judged in your presence, I pray. O LORD, strike the nations; put fear in their breast to teach them that they are but human at best.