Psalm 109

4. Few be his days: his charge, also,
   let thou another take:
9. His children let be fatherless,
   his wife a widow make.
10. Let his offspring be vagabonds,
   to beg and seek their bread:
   Wandering out of the wasted place,
   where erst they have been fed.

5. Let covetous extortioners,
   catch all his goods and store:
   And let the strangers spoil the fruits,
   of all his toil before.
12. Let there be none to pity him,
   let there be none at all:
   That on his children fatherless,
   will let their mercy fall.

6. And so let his posterity,
   forever be destroyed:
   Their name out blotted in the age,
   that after shall succeed.
14. Let not his father’s wickedness,
   from God’s remembrance fall,
   And let thou not his mother’s sin,
   be done away at all.

7. But in the presence of the Lord,
   let them remain for aye:
   That from the earth, their memory
   he may cut clean away.
16. Sith mercy he forgot to show:
    but did pursue with spite,
    The troubled man and sought to slay,
    the woeful-hearted wight.62

8. As he did cursing love, it shall
   betide unto me so:
   And as he did not blessing love,
   it shall be far him fro.63
18. As he with cursing clad himself,
   so it like water shall:
   Into his bowels, and like oil,
   into his bones befall.

9. As garments let it be to him,
   to cover him for aye:
   And as girdle wherewith he,
   shall girded be alway.
20. Lo, let the same before the Lord,
   be guardian of my foe,
   Yea, and of those that evil speak,
   against my soul also.

10. But thou, O Lord, that art my God,
    deal thou, I say, with me,
    After thy name deliver me,
    for good thy mercies be.
22. Because in depth of great distress,
    I needy am and poor:
    And eke within my pained breast,
    my heart is wounded sore.

11. Even so do I depart away,
    as doth declining shade:
    And as the grasshopper, so I
    am shaken of and fade.
24. With fasting long from needful food,
    enfeebled are my knees:
    And all her fatness hath my flesh,
    enforced been to lease.

12. And I also a vile reproach,
    to them was made to be:
    And they that did upon me look,
    did shake their heads at me.
26. But thou, O Lord, that art my God,
    mine aid and succour be:
    According to thy mercy, Lord,
    save and deliver me.

13. And they shall know thereby, that this
    (Lord) is thy mighty hand:
    And that thou, thou hast done, it, Lord,
    so shall they understand.
28. Although they curse with spite, yet thou
    shalt bless with loving voice:
    They shall arise and come to shame,
    thy servant shall rejoice.

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61. Since, seeing or considering (that).
62. From.
63. A human being.
14. 29 Let them be clothed all with shame,
     that enemies are to me:
     And with confusion as a cloak,
     eke covered let them be.
30 But greatly I will with my mouth,
     give thanks unto the Lord,
     And I among the multitude
     his praises will record.

15. 31 For he with help at his right hand,
     will stand the poor man by:
     To save him from the men that would
     condemn his soul to die.