Psalm 140
"From the perverse and wicked wight"

Text by John Craig
Harmonised by David Peebles

1. From the perverse and wicked wight, O Lord, deliver me:
   And from the cruel man's despite, preserve me:
   Who in their hearts do mischief warp, and serve me to abide.
   Evil things invent, continual ly.

2. They whet have their tongues, as keen as is the serpent's wight,
   And have with cords spread forth their net, and grens*
   From wicked hands, Lord, me withhold: prevent me they lay.
   Art my God alone: Free from the cruel man,

3. For lo, the proud a snare have set, for me in my path
   And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
   There fore unto the Lord, said I, thou art my God a lone:
   Hear then, O Lord,

4. Lord, the wight,
   As keen as is the serpent's wight,
   And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
   Evil things invent, continual ly.

5. Lord, the wight,
   As keen as is the serpent's wight,
   And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
   Evil things invent, continual ly.

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   As keen as is the serpent's wight,
   And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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   As keen as is the serpent's wight,
   And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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   And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
    Evil things invent, continual ly.

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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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    As keen as is the serpent's wight,
    And have with adder's poison man y be seen, under me:
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* In Scots, grens are traps.