

that they may secretly shoot at the yishrei lev (upright in heart).

|3| If the foundations be destroyed, what can the tzaddik do?

|4| Hashem is in His Heikhal Kodesh, Hashem's kisse is in Shomayim; His eyes examine, His eyelids try, Bnei Adam.

|5| Hashem trieth the tzaddik, but the resha'im and him that loveth chamas (violence) His Nefesh hateth.

|6| Upon the resha'im He shall rain snares, eish and gofrit, and a burning wind; this shall be the portion of their kos (cup).

|7| For Hashem is tzaddik (righteous), Hashem loveth tzedakot; His countenance doth behold the yashar (upright).

**12** (For the one directing. According to the Sheminit. Mizmor Dovid) Help, Hashem; for the chasid is no more; for the emunim (faithful ones) vanish from among Bnei Adam.

|2(3)| They speak vanity every one with his re'a (neighbor); with flattering lips and with a double heart do they speak.

|3(4)| Hashem shall cut off all flattering lips, and the leshon that speaketh gedolot;

|4(5)| Who have said, With leshoneinu (our tongue) will we prevail; our lips are our own: who is Adon over us?

|5(6)| For the oppression of the aniyim, for the groaning of the needy, now will I arise, saith Hashem; I will set him in safety from him that sneers at him.

|6(7)| The words of Hashem are amarot tehorot (pure words); as kesef refined in the furnace on the earth, purified seven times.

|7(8)| Thou shalt be shomer over them, Hashem, Thou

shalt preserve him [see 5(6)] from this generation forever. |8(9)| The resha'im strut on every side, when the vilest among the Bnei Adam are exalted.

**13** (For the one directing. Mizmor Dovid)

How long wilt Thou forget me, Hashem? Netzach (forever?) How long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me?

|2(3)| How long shall I take counsel in my nefesh, having sorrow in my lev daily? How long shall mine oyev be exalted over me?

|3(4)| Consider and hear me, Hashem Elohai; enlighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of mavet;

|4(5)| Lest mine oyev say, I have prevailed against him; and those that trouble me rejoice when I am defeated.

|5(6)| But I have trusted in Thy chesed; my lev shall rejoice in Thy Yeshuah (salvation).

|6| I will sing unto Hashem, because He hath dealt bountifully with me.

**14** (For the one directing. Of Dovid)

The naval (fool) hath said in his lev, There is no Elohim. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, ein oseh tov (there is none that doeth good).

|2| Hashem looked down from Shomayim upon Bnei Adam, to see if there is any with seichel, that seeketh Elohim.

|3| They are all turned aside, they are all together become corrupt; there is none that doeth tov, no, not one.

|4| Have all the workers

of iniquity no da'as? Who eat up my people as they eat lechem, and call not upon Hashem.

|5| There they shall be in great dread, for Elohim is with the dor tzaddik.

|6| Would ye confound the etzah (counsel, plan) of the oni (poor), for Hashem is indeed his refuge!

|7| Oh that the Yeshuah (salvation) of Yisroel were come out of Tziyon!

When Hashem turns misfortune and brings back the captives of His people, Ya'akov shall rejoice, and Yisroel shall be glad.

**15** (Mizmor Dovid) Hashem, who shall abide in Thy Ohel?

Who shall dwell in Thy Har Kodesh?

|2| He that walketh blamelessly, and worketh tzedek, and speaketh emes from his lev.

|3| He that backbiteth not with his leshon, nor doeth ra'ah to his re'a, nor taketh up a slur to discredit his neighbor.

|4| In whose eyes a vile person is despicable; but he honoreth them that fear Hashem. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

|5| He that putteth not out his kesef to neshekh (usury), nor taketh bribes against the naki (innocent). He that doeth these things shall never be shaken.

**16** (A mikhtam Dovid). Be shomer over me, O El: for in Thee do I hide myself.

|2| I said unto Hashem, Thou art Adonoi of me; besides Thee I have no good;

|3| But to the Kadoshim that are in ha'aretz, they are the glorious