Psalm 7:1-17 David contemplated the Righteous Judgment of Yahweh

Prayer and Praise for Deliverance from Enemies

A **Meditation** of David, which he sang to Yahweh (the Lord) concerning the words of Cush, a Benjamite.

- 1 O Yahweh Elohay (Lord my God), in You I put my trust; Save me from all those who persecute me; And deliver me,
- 2 Lest they tear me like a lion, Rending me in pieces, while there is none to deliver.
- 3 O Yahweh Elohay (Lord my God), if I have done this: If there is iniquity in my hands,
- 4 If I have repaid evil to him who was at peace with me, Or have plundered my enemy without cause,
- 5 Let the enemy pursue me and overtake me; Yes, let him trample my life to the earth, And lay my honor in the dust. Selah
- ⁶ Arise, O Yahweh (Lord), in Your anger; Lift Yourself up because of the rage of my enemies; Rise up for me to the judgment You have commanded!
- ⁷ So the congregation of the peoples shall surround You; For their sakes, therefore, return on high.
- 8 Yahweh (The Lord) shall judge the peoples; Judge me, O Yahweh (Lord), according to my righteousness, And according to my integrity within me.
- 9 Oh, let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, But establish the just; For the righteous Elohiym (God) tests the hearts and minds.
- 10 My defense is of Elohiym (God), Who saves the upright in heart.
- 11 Elohiym (God) is a just judge, And El (God) is angry with the wicked every day.
- 12 If he does not turn back, He will sharpen His sword; He bends His bow and makes it ready.
- 13 He also prepares for Himself instruments of death; He makes His arrows into fiery shafts.
- 14 Behold, the wicked brings forth iniquity; Yes, he conceives trouble and brings forth falsehood.
- 15 He made a pit and dug it out. And has fallen into the ditch which he made.
- 16 His trouble shall return upon his own head, And his violent dealing shall come down on his own crown.
- 17 I will praise Yahweh (the Lord) according to His righteousness, And will sing praise to the name of Yahweh Elyown (the Lord Most High).
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Facts Revealed:

- ❖ O Yahweh Elohay (Lord my God), in You I put my trust; Save me from all those who persecute me; And deliver me, Lest they tear me like a lion, Rending me in pieces, while there is none to deliver. [Psalm 7:1-2]
 - ♦ David expressed his faith in Yahweh and asked for deliverance from his persecutors.
- ❖ O Yahweh Elohay (Lord my God), if I have done this: If there is iniquity in my hands, If I have repaid evil to him who was at peace with me, Or have plundered my enemy without cause,

Let the enemy pursue me and overtake me; Yes, let him trample my life to the earth, And lay my honor in the dust. Selah [Psalm 7:3-5]

- ♦ Like Job, David accepts punishment if he is guilty of sin.
- ☆ Arise, O Yahweh (Lord), in Your anger; Lift Yourself up because of the rage of my enemies; Rise up for me to the judgment You have commanded!
 - So the congregation of the peoples shall surround You; For their sakes, therefore, return on high.
 - Yahweh (The Lord) shall judge the peoples; Judge me, O Yahweh (Lord), according to my righteousness, And according to my integrity within me. [Psalm 7:6-8]
 - ♦ In faith, David asked Yahweh to defend him against the rage of his enemies.
 - ♦ The request is for the benefit of the people who will witness the deliverance.
 - Like Job, knowing that Yahweh will judge the people, David asked to be judged according to his righteousness and integrity.
- ❖ Oh, let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, But establish the just; For the righteous Elohiym (God) tests the hearts and minds.
 - My defense is of Elohiym (God), Who saves the upright in heart. [Psalm 7:9-10]
 - ❖ Knowing that Elohiym tests the hearts and minds, David desires an end of the wickedness of those who persecute him.
 - ♦ David also expressed his confidence in Elohiym Who saves the upright in heart.
- - → David acknowledged that Elohiym is a just judge, Who is always angry with wickedness. Yet is ready to forgive the repentant.
- ➡ If he does not turn back, He will sharpen His sword; He bends His bow and makes it ready. He also prepares for Himself instruments of death; He makes His arrows into fiery shafts. Behold, the wicked brings forth iniquity; Yes, he conceives trouble and brings forth falsehood.
 - He made a pit and dug it out, And has fallen into the ditch which he made.
 - His trouble shall return upon his own head, And his violent dealing shall come down on his own crown. [Psalm 7:12-16]
 - ♦ The unrepentant wicked brings God's judgment upon themselves.
- **☼** I will praise Yahweh (the Lord) according to His righteousness, And will sing praise to the name of Yahweh Elyown (the Lord Most High). [Psalm 7:17]
 - ♦ David promised to praise Yahweh for His righteousness and to sing praises to His Name.