

## Psalm 25

4. Nor after my deserts  
let me thy mercy find:  
But of thine own benignity,<sup>3</sup>  
Lord, have me in thy mind.  
<sup>7</sup>His mercy is full sweet,  
his truth a perfect guide:  
Therefore the Lord will sinners teach,  
and such as go aside.
5. <sup>8</sup>The humble he will teach,  
his precepts for to keep:  
He will direct in all his ways  
the lowly and the meek.  
<sup>9</sup>For all the ways of God  
are truth and mercy both,  
To them that keep his Testament  
the witness of his truth.
6. <sup>10</sup>Now for thine holy name,  
O Lord I thee entreat,  
To grant me pardon for my sin:  
for it is wondrous great.  
<sup>11</sup>Who so doth fear the Lord,  
the Lord doth him direct,  
To lead his life in such a way,  
as he doth best accept.
7. <sup>12</sup>His soul shall evermore,  
in goodness dwell and stand:  
His seed and his posterity,  
inherit shall the land.  
<sup>13</sup>All those that fear the Lord,  
know his secret intent:  
And unto them he doth declare,  
his will and testament.
8. <sup>14</sup>Mine eyes and eke mine heart  
to him I will advance,  
That plucked my feet out of the snare,  
of sin and ignorance:  
<sup>15</sup>With mercy me behold  
to thee I make my moan:  
For I am poor and desolate,  
and comfortless alone.
9. <sup>16</sup>The troubles of mine heart  
are multiplied indeed.  
Bring me out of this misery,  
necessity and need.  
<sup>17</sup>Behold my poverty,  
mine anguish and my pain:  
Remit my sin and mine offense,  
and make me clean again.
10. <sup>18</sup>O Lord, behold my foes,  
how they do still increase,  
Pursuing me with deadly hate,  
that fane would live in peace.  
<sup>19</sup>Preserve and keep my soul,  
and eke deliver me  
And let me not be overthrown,  
because I trust in thee.
11. <sup>20</sup>Let my simple pureness,  
me from mine enemies send:  
Because I look, as one of thine,  
that thou should'st me defend.  
<sup>21</sup>Deliver Lord thy folk,  
and send them some relief  
(I mean thy chosen Israel)  
from all their pain and grief.

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<sup>3</sup> Kindness, graciousness.