A Psalm of A-saph (one of the 3 chief musicians of David)

- **50** The mighty God, even the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof. (God= El-O-Heem, Lord= Yahoveh..... one of two places in Bible where both these names are used together)
- ²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.
- ³Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.
- ⁴He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.
- ⁵ Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. Hosea-6:6... A sacrifice of love and time to study His word
- ⁶ And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge himself. Selah.
- ⁷Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I am God, even thy God.
- *I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, to have been continually before me.
- ⁹I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds. (Jesus' crucifixion ended sacrificing for all time)
- ¹⁰ For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. (HE already owns everything. They are sacrificing God's property unto Him)
- ¹¹ I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine.
- ¹² If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof. (God owns everything because HE created it)
- ¹³ Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

- ¹⁴Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: (HE wants our love. That originates from us)
- ¹⁵ And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.
- ¹⁶ But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth? (Quoting scripture won't save the wicked who continually do evil deeds)
- ¹⁷ Seeing thou hatest instruction, and casteth my words behind thee.
- ¹⁸ When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.
- ¹⁹ Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue <u>frameth</u> deceit. (frameth= to weave as in linen)
- ²⁰ Thou <u>sittest</u> and speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son. (sittest=> to sit in judgment of)
- ²¹ These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself: but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes.
- ²² Now consider this, ye that <u>forget</u> God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver. (forget= to be oblivious of through want of memory or attention)
- ²³ Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God.

To the chief musician (God, the real chief musician)

These three chief musicians were also phophets