

Psalm 140

A Psalm of David

King James Version (KJV)

140 Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man;

²Which imagine mischiefs in their heart; continually are they gathered together for war. (mischiefs – same word as evil, in verse 1)

³They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison is under their lips. Selah. (Lies and deceit)

⁴Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.

⁵The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah. (gins- a noose) (In 2Timothy, this is also the M.O. of Satan and the fallen)

⁶I said unto the LORD, Thou art my God: hear the voice of my supplications, O LORD. (supplications= requests)

⁷O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle. Ephesians-6:11 (The Gospel armor)

⁸Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device; lest they exalt themselves. Selah.

⁹As for the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lips cover them.

¹⁰Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up again.

¹¹Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow him. (evil speaker- a false witness)

¹²I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the right of the poor.

¹³Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence. Ezekiel-44

Possibly written when David fled Jerusalem to avoid a civil war with Absalom, his rebellious son. Absalom is a type for antichrist.