

Psalm 39

A Psalm of David

King James Version (KJV)

39 I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.
(wicked= the wicked one)

²I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good; and my sorrow was stirred.

³My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned: then spake I with my tongue, (the fire of the Holy Spirit put the words in his mouth... as He will with the elect, in the end times)

⁴LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is: that I may know how frail I am.

⁵Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Selah. (Life in the flesh is short, and doesn't amount to much)

⁶Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.
(Can't take them with us)

⁷And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee.

⁸Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.

⁹I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst it. (A type for the elect, when delivered up)

¹⁰Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand. (Stroke-> as in stricken... by God's wrath)

¹¹When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man is vanity. Selah.

¹²Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were. (We are here briefly)

¹³O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.

To the chief musician

A prayer for future blessings. In view of Psalm 24