

Psalm 12

A Psalm of David

King James Version (KJV)

12 Help, LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men. (Help= save) (for the faithful fail- the faithful vanish. There are less and less every year)

²They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: with flattering lips and with a double heart do they speak. (double heart – two faced, undependable)

³The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaketh proud things:

⁴Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips are our own: who is lord over us?

⁵For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the LORD; I will set him in safety from him that puffeth at him. (puffeth- speaks vanity, but also means to ensnare. Refers to antichrist) (sighing= to scream or screech loudly)

⁶The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

⁷Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever. (keep= to protect, to shield)

⁸The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted.

To the chief musician – HE who has the victory, HE who gives the victory.