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¹اللَّهُمَّ بِأَدَانَا قَدْ سَمِعْنَا، أَبَاؤُنَا أُخْبَرُوا بِعَمَلِ عَمَلُهُ فِي
أَيَّامِهِمْ، فِي أَيَّامِ الْقَدَمِ. ²أَنْتَ يَدُكَ اسْتَصَلْتَ الْأَمَمَ
وَعَرَسْتَهُمْ، حَطَمْتَ شُعُوبًا وَمَدَدْتَهُمْ. ³لَأَنَّهُ لَيْسَ يَسْتَفِيهِمْ
امْتَلَكُوا الْأَرْضَ وَلَا ذَرَأَهُمْ خَلَصَتْهُمْ لَكِنْ يَمِينُكَ وَذِرَاعُكَ
وَنُورُ وَجْهِكَ، لِأَنَّكَ رَصِيتَ عَنْهُمْ.

⁴أَنْتَ هُوَ مَلِكِي، يَا اللَّهُ، فَأَمُرُ بِخَلَاصِ يَعْقُوبَ. ⁵بِكَ تَنْطَعُ
مُضَائِقِينَ، بِاسْمِكَ تَدُوسُ الْقَائِمِينَ عَلَيْنَا. ⁶لَأَنِّي عَلَى
قَوْسِي لَا أَكُلُّ وَسَيْفِي لَا يُخَلِّصُنِي. ⁷لَأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ خَلَصْتَنَا
مِنْ مُضَائِقِينَا وَأَخْرَيْتَ مُبْعِضِينَ. ⁸بِاللَّهِ تَفْتَخِرُ الْيَوْمَ كُلُّهُ
وَاسْمُكَ تَحْمَدُ إِلَى الدَّهْرِ. سِلَاهُ.

⁹لَكِنَّكَ قَدْ رَفَضْتَنَا وَأَخْلَلْتَنَا وَلَا تَخْرُجْ مَعَ جُنُودِنَا. ¹⁰نَزِجْنَا
إِلَى الْوَرَاءِ عَنِ الْعَدُوِّ وَمُبْعِضُونَ تَهَبُوا لِنَفْسِهِمْ. ¹¹جَعَلْتَنَا
كَالضَّانِّ أَكْلًا، دَرَسْنَا بَيْنَ الْأَمَمِ. ¹²يَعْتَ شَعْبُكَ يَغِيرُ مَالِ
وَمَا رَحِمْتَ بَنِيهِمْ. ¹³تَجْعَلُنَا غَارًا عِنْدَ جِبَرَاتِنَا، هُرَاءَ
وَسُخْرَةً لِلَّذِينَ جَوْلْنَا. ¹⁴تَجْعَلُنَا مَثَلًا بَيْنَ الشُّعُوبِ، لِإِنْقَاصِ
الرَّاسِ بَيْنَ الْأَمَمِ. ¹⁵الْيَوْمَ كُلُّهُ خَجَلِي أَمَامِي وَخَرِي
وَجْهِ قَدْ عَطَانِي. ¹⁶مِنْ صَوْتِ الْمُغِيرِ وَالشَّائِمِ، مِنْ وَجْهِ
عَدُوِّ وَمُيْتَقِمِ.

¹⁷هَذَا كُلُّهُ جَاءَ عَلَيْنَا، وَمَا تَسِيَّتَاكَ وَلَا خُنَّا فِي عَهْدِكَ. ¹⁸لَمْ
يَرْتَدَّ قَلْبُنَا إِلَى وَرَاءِ وَلَا مَالِكٌ حَطَوْنَا عَنْ
طَرِيقِكَ. ¹⁹حَتَّى سَخَفْتَنَا فِي مَكَانِ الثَّنَائِينَ وَعَطَيْتَنَا بِطِلِّ
الْمَوْتِ. ²⁰إِنْ تَسِيَّتَا اسْمَ إِلَهِنَا أَوْ بَسَطْنَا أَيْدِينَا إِلَى إِلَهٍ
غَرِيبٍ، ²¹أَفَلَا يَفْخَصُ اللَّهُ عَنْ هَذَا؟ لِأَنَّهُ هُوَ يَعْرِفُ
خَفِيَّاتِ الْقَلْبِ. ²²لَأَنَّنَا مِنْ أَجْلِكَ نُمَاتُ الْيَوْمَ كُلُّهُ، قَدْ
خُسِبْنَا مِثْلَ عَنَمٍ لِلدَّبْحِ.

²³اسْتَيْفِظْ. لِمَادَا تَتَغَاوَى، يَا رَبُّ؟ أَتَيْتِهِ. لَا تَرْفُضْ إِلَى
الْأَبَدِ. ²⁴لِمَادَا تَحْجُبُ وَجْهَكَ وَتَنْسَى مَذَلَّتَنَا وَضِيقَنَا؟ ²⁵لَأَنَّ
أَنْفُسَنَا مُنْحَيَّةٌ إِلَى التُّرَابِ، لَصِقَتْ فِي الْأَرْضِ
بُطُونُنَا. ²⁶فُمْ، عَوْنًا لَنَا، وَافِدِنَا مِنْ أَجْلِ رَحْمَتِكَ.

¹To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, Maschil. We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old. ²How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out. ³For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them. ⁴Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob. ⁵Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us. ⁶For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me. ⁷But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us. ⁸In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah. ⁹But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies. ¹⁰Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for themselves. ¹¹Thou hast given us like sheep appointed for meat; and hast scattered us among the heathen. ¹²Thou sellest thy people for nought, and dost not increase thy wealth by their price. ¹³Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are round about us. ¹⁴Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head among the people. ¹⁵My confusion is continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me, ¹⁶For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by

reason of the enemy and avenger.¹⁷ All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.¹⁸ Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined from thy way;¹⁹ Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.²⁰ If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;²¹ Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.²² Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.²³ Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast us not off for ever.²⁴ Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and forgettest our affliction and our oppression?²⁵ For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth.²⁶ Arise for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake.