

¹To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.² Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.³ There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.⁴ Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,⁵ Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.⁶ His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.⁸ The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.¹¹ Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.¹² Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults.¹³ Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

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¹السَّمَاوَاتُ تُحَدِّثُ بِمَجْدِ اللَّهِ وَالْقَلْبُ يُخْبِرُ بِعَمَلِ يَدَيْهِ. ²يَوْمٌ إِلَى يَوْمٍ يُذِيعُ كَلَامًا وَلَيْلٌ إِلَى لَيْلٍ يُبْدِي عِلْمًا. ³لَا قَوْلَ وَلَا كَلَامَ، لَا يُسْمَعُ صَوْتُهُمْ. ⁴فِي كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ حَرَجَ مَنَاطِقُهُمْ وَإِلَى أَفْصَى الْمَسْكُونَةِ كَلِمَاتُهُمْ. ⁵جَعَلَ لِلشَّمْسِ مَسْكَنًا فِيهَا وَهِيَ مِثْلُ الْعُرْسِ الْخَارِجِ مِنْ حَجَلَتِهِ، يَبْتَهِجُ مِثْلَ الْجَبَّارِ لِلسَّبَاقِ فِي الطَّرِيقِ. ⁶مِنْ أَفْصَى السَّمَاوَاتِ خُرُوجُهَا، وَمَذَارُهَا إِلَى أَقْاصِيهَا، وَلَا شَيْءَ يَخْتَفِي مِنْ حَرِّهَا. ⁷تَامُوسُ الرَّبِّ كَامِلٌ يَرُدُّ النَّفْسَ، شَهَادَاتُ الرَّبِّ صَادِقَةٌ تُصَيِّرُ الْجَاهِلَ حَكِيمًا. ⁸وَصَايَا الرَّبِّ مُسْتَقِيمَةٌ تُقَرِّخُ الْقَلْبَ، أَمْرُ الرَّبِّ طَاهِرٌ يُبَيِّرُ الْعَيْنَيْنِ. ⁹خَوْفُ الرَّبِّ بَقِيٌّ تَابِتٌ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، أَحْكَامُ الرَّبِّ حَقٌّ عَادِلَةٌ كُلُّهَا. ¹⁰أَشْهَى مِنَ الذَّهَبِ وَالْإِبْرِيرِ الْكَثِيرِ وَأَخْلَى مِنَ الْعَسَلِ وَقَطْرِ الشَّهَادِ. ¹¹أَيْضًا عَبْدُكَ يُحَدِّثُ بِهَا، وَفِي حِفْظِهَا تَوَابٌ عَظِيمٌ. ¹²السَّهَوَاتُ مَنْ يَشْغُرُ بِهَا؟ مِنَ الْخَطَايَا الْمُسْتَبْتَرَةِ أَبْرَأُنِي. ¹³أَيْضًا مِنَ الْمُتَكَبِّرِينَ اخْطِطْ عَبْدُكَ فَلَا يَتَسَلَّطُوا عَلَيَّ. جَبِينِي أَكُونُ كَامِلًا وَأَتَبَرَّأَ مِنْ ذَنْبٍ عَظِيمٍ. ¹⁴لِتَكُنْ أَقْوَالُ قَمِي وَفِكْرُ قَلْبِي مَرْضِيَّةً أَمَامَكَ، يَا رَبُّ، صَخْرَتِي وَوَلِيِّي.