لإمَام الْمُغَنِّينَ، لِدَاوُدَ، مَرْمُورٌ،

يًا رَبُّ، قَد اخْتَبَرْتَنِي وَعَرَفْتَنِي. أَنْتَ عَرَفْتَ حُلُوسي وَقيَامِي، فَهِمْتَ فِكْرِي مِنْ بَعِيدٍ. ْمَسْلَكِي وَمَرْبَضِي ُ وَكُلِّ طُرُقِي عَرَفْتَ. ۖ لِأَنَّهُ لَيْسَ كُلَمَةٌ فِي لِسَانِي تَ عَلَىٰ تَدَكَ. ٰ حَنَاحَي الصُّّيْح ۚ وَسَكَنْتُ في أَقَاصِي الْيَحْرِ، ۖ لَدَنْكَ وَاللَّبْلُ مِثْلَ النَّهَارِ يُضِيءُ. كَالظُّلْمَة هَكَذَا النُّ لأَنَّـكَ أَنْـتَ اقْتَنَىْتَ كُلْبَتَـيَّ، نَسَـ أُمِّي. 14أَحْمَدُكَ مِنْ أَحْلِ أَنِّي قَدِ امْتَزْتُ عَحَياً. عَحييَةٌ عْمَالُكَ وَنَفْسِي تَعْ فُ ذَلِكَ يَقِيناً. 15لَمْ تَخْتَفِ عَنْكَ عظَامِي حِسْمَا صُنعْتُ في الْخَفَاءِ وَرُقَمْتُ في أَعْمَاق يَوْمَ تَصَوَّرَتْ، اذْ لَمْ يَكُنْ وَاحِدٌ مِنْهَا. 17مَا أَكْرَمَ أَفْكَارَ يَا اَللهُ، عِنْدِي، مَا أَكْثَرَ خُمْلَتَهَا. اللهُ، عِنْدِي، مَا أَكْثَرَ خُمْلَتَهَا. اللهُ، عَنْد الأَشْرَارَ، يَا اَللهُ. فَيَا رِجَالَ الدِّمَاءِ، ابْعُدُوا عَنِّي.²⁰ يُكَلِّمُونَكَ بِالْمَكْرِ نَاطُقِينَ بِالْكَذِبِ، هُمْ أَعْدَاؤُكَ اْغضُ مُنْغضىكَ، يَا رَبُّ، وَأَمْقُتُ مُقَاوِمِيكَ؟²² اْئِغَضْتُهُمْ، صَارُوا لِي أَغْدَاءً.²³اخْتَرْنِي، يَا اَلِلهُ، وَاغْرِفْ قَلْبِي، امْتَحِنِّي وَاعْرِفْ أَفْكَارِي.24وَانْظُرْ إِنْ كَانَ فِيَّ طَرِيقٌ بَاطِلٌ وَاهْدِنِي طَرِيقاً أَبَدِيّاً.

¹To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. ²Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but , lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it. Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?8If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; 10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. 11 If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. 12 Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee . 13 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. 14 will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. 15 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. 16 Thine eves did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. 17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how

great is the sum of them! ¹⁸If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee. ¹⁹Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men. ²⁰For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain. ²¹Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee? ²²I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies. ²³Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: ²⁴And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.