¹ALEPH. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.²Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.³They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.⁴Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.⁵O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!⁶Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.⁷I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.⁸I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.⁹BETH. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.¹⁰With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.¹¹Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.¹²Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.¹³With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.¹⁴I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as much as in all riches.¹⁵I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.¹⁶I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.¹⁷GIMEL. Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word.¹⁸Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.¹⁹I am a stranger in the earth: hide not thy commandments from me.²⁰My soul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto thy judgments at all times.²¹Thou hast rebuked the proud that are cursed, which do err from thy commandments.²²Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy testimonies.²³Princes also did sit and speak against me: but thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.²⁴Thy testimonies my delight and my also are counsellors.²⁵DALETH. My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.²⁶I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me: teach me thy statutes.²⁷Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.²⁸My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.²⁹Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.³⁰I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid before me.³¹I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.³²I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart.³³HE. Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.³⁵Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.³⁶Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.³⁷Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way.³⁸Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.³⁹Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments are good.⁴⁰Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: guicken me in thy righteousness.⁴¹VAU. Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, even thy salvation, according to thy word.⁴²So shall I have wherewith to answer him that

reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word.⁴³And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy judgments.⁴⁴So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.⁴⁵And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.⁴⁶I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.⁴⁷And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved.⁴⁸My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.⁴⁹ZAIN. Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.⁵⁰This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath guickened me.⁵¹The proud have had me greatly in derision: yet have I not declined from thy law.⁵²I remembered thy judgments of old, O LORD: and have comforted myself.⁵³Horror hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that forsake thy law.⁵⁴Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.⁵⁵I have remembered thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept thy law.⁵⁶This I had, because I kept thy precepts.⁵⁷CHETH. Thou art my portion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep thy words.⁵⁸I intreated thy favour with my whole heart: be merciful unto me according to thy word.⁵⁹I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.⁶⁰I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.⁶¹The bands of the wicked have robbed me: but I have not forgotten thy law.⁶²At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous judgments.⁶³I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts.⁶⁴The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.⁶⁵TETH. Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto thy word.⁶⁶Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.⁶⁷Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.⁶⁸Thou art good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.⁶⁹The proud have forged a lie against me: but I will keep thy precepts with my whole heart.⁷⁰Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in thy law.⁷¹It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.⁷²The law of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.⁷³JOD. Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.⁷⁴They that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word.⁷⁵I know, O LORD, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.⁷⁶Let, I pray thee, thy merciful kindness be for my comfort, according to thy word unto thy servant.⁷⁷Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight.⁷⁸Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: but I will meditate in thy precepts.⁷⁹Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.⁸⁰Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.⁸¹CAPH. My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.⁸²Mine eyes fail for thy word,

saying, When wilt thou comfort me?⁸³For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; yet do I not forget thy statutes.⁸⁴How many are the days of thy servant? when wilt thou execute judgment on them that persecute me?⁸⁵The proud have digged pits for me, which are not after thy law.⁸⁶All thy commandments are faithful: they persecute me wrongfully; help thou me.⁸⁷They had almost consumed me upon earth; but I forsook not thy precepts.⁸⁸Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth.⁸⁹LAMED. For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.⁹⁰Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.⁹¹They continue this day according to thine ordinances: for all are thy servants.⁹²Unless thy law had been my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.⁹³I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast guickened me.⁹⁴I am thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.⁹⁵The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: but I will consider thy testimonies.⁹⁶I have seen an end of all perfection: but thy commandment is exceeding broad.⁹⁷MEM. O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.⁹⁸Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.⁹⁹I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies are my meditation.¹⁰⁰I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.¹⁰¹I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.¹⁰²I have not

departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.¹⁰³How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!¹⁰⁴Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.¹⁰⁵NUN. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.¹⁰⁶I have sworn, and I will perform it , that I will keep thy righteous judgments.¹⁰⁷I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.¹⁰⁸Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.¹⁰⁹My soul is continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.¹¹⁰The wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts.¹¹¹Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they are the rejoicing of my heart.¹¹²I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes alway, even unto the end.¹¹³SAMECH. I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.¹¹⁴Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.¹¹⁵Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.¹¹⁶Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me not be ashamed of my hope.¹¹⁷Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.¹¹⁸Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit is falsehood.¹¹⁹Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.¹²⁰My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judgments.¹²¹AIN. I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine

oppressors.¹²²Be surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress me.¹²³Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy righteousness.¹²⁴Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy statutes.¹²⁵I am thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.¹²⁶It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void thy law.¹²⁷Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.¹²⁸Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way.¹²⁹PE. Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.¹³⁰The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.¹³¹I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy commandments.¹³²Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.¹³³Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.¹³⁴Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts.¹³⁵Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.¹³⁶Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.¹³⁷TZADDI. Righteous art thou, O LORD, and upright are thy judgments.¹³⁸Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded are righteous and very faithful.¹³⁹My zeal hath consumed me. because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.¹⁴⁰Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.¹⁴¹I am small and despised: yet do not I forget thy precepts.¹⁴²Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law is the truth.¹⁴³Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: yet thy commandments are my delights.¹⁴⁴The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live.¹⁴⁵KOPH. I cried with my whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.¹⁴⁶I cried unto thee; save me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.¹⁴⁷I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in thy word.¹⁴⁸Mine eyes prevent the night watches, that I might meditate in thy word.¹⁴⁹Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD, quicken me according to thy judgment.¹⁵⁰They draw nigh that follow after mischief: they are far from thy law.¹⁵¹Thou art near, O LORD; and all thy commandments are truth.¹⁵²Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them for ever.¹⁵³RESH. Consider mine affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.¹⁵⁴Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.¹⁵⁵Salvation is far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes.¹⁵⁶Great are thy tender mercies, O LORD: guicken me according to thy judgments.¹⁵⁷Many are my persecutors and mine enemies; yet do I not decline from thy testimonies.¹⁵⁸I beheld the transgressors, and was grieved; because they kept not thy word.¹⁵⁹Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.¹⁶⁰Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.¹⁶¹SCHIN. Princes have persecuted

me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.¹⁶²I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.¹⁶³I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love.¹⁶⁴Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.¹⁶⁵Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.¹⁶⁶LORD, I have hoped for thy and salvation, done thv commandments.¹⁶⁷My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.¹⁶⁸I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my ways are before thee.¹⁶⁹TAU. Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me understanding according to thy word.¹⁷⁰Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.¹⁷¹My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.¹⁷²My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments are righteousness.¹⁷³Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts.¹⁷⁴I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law is my delight.¹⁷⁵Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me.¹⁷⁶I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.