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Psalm Chapter 12 NIVUK

It is believed that David wrote this Psalm during Saul's reign, when there was a general decay of honesty and holiness both in court and country. David complains to God, with much feeling-for he himself suffered by the treachery of false friends and the boldness of his enemies. (I) He pleads help of God, because there were none among men whom he trusted, verses 1-2. (II) He foretells the destruction of his proud and bullying enemies, verses 4-5. (III) He assures himself and others that, no matter how unpleasant things went now (8), God will preserve and secure to Himself His own people, verses 5, 7, and would certainly make good His promises to them, (6).

God, a Helper against the Treacherous.

**Vs.1) Help, LORD, for no one is faithful anymore;
those who are loyal have vanished from the human race.**

Help, LORD, -Hebrew, "save Yahweh." The idea is that there was no human help, and therefore, the divine help is needed. David saw that those on whom the reliance was usually place on for the promotion of truth and virtue now failed, therefor he invites the **DIVINE**, The one he knows he can trust!

No one is faithful anymore; the Kind, or, the merciful men cease to exist. Those who profess faith; those who are bound by their vows to be faithful to God and to His cause.

They have fail from among the children of men by their misconduct; by being false to the trust and honesty in their words and dealings with men.

Ps. 4:3 know that the LORD has set apart the godly for Himself; the LORD will hear when I call to Him.

**Vs.2). everyone lies to their neighbor;
they flatter with their lips but harbor deception in their hearts.**

They flatter with their lips; Hebrew—lips of smoothness), falsehood, vanity. They speak with a double heart, they say one thing and mean another and their words are not to be trusted or depended upon.

Prov. 26: 24-26) A malicious man disguises himself with his lips, but in his heart he harbors deceit. (25) Though his speech is charming, do not believe him, for seven abominations fill his heart. (26) His malice may be concealed by deception, but his wickedness will be exposed in the assembly.

Mat. 12:34) out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

Eph. 4:25; 27) Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body. (27) Do not give the devil a foot hold

Prov.12:22) The LORD detests lying lips, but He delights in men who are truthful.

Vs.3) May the LORD silence (or cut off) all flattering lips, and every boastful tongue.

All who speak kind things to another one, but at the same time that they mean quite the contrary in their hearts

The LORD will cut them from the favors which He will show His own people, or will punish them. He will separate offenders from Himself and His own.

Every boastful tongue: the tongue that speak proud things—that boast or is self - confident.

Prov. 18:21) Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Vs.4) those who say,

**“By our tongues we will prevail;
our own lips will defend us—who is lord over us?”**

Our own lips will defend us: Who owns our lips? Repeatedly the bible stresses that your talk can do tremendous good or evil. The key here is that wicked people use words to build themselves up over others. They insist that no one has the right to tell them what to do or say.

Who is lord(or master) over us; who can, or has any right to control us; or call us to an account—they speak as if they believed there was no **God** or man superior to them; because they have neither the fear of **God**, nor reverence of man.

Gen. 2:7) God is the source of all life.

**Vs.5) “Because the poor are plundered and the needy groan, I will now arise,” says the LORD.
“I will protect them from those who malign them.”**

The LORD is moved with the complaints of His, and delivers in the end from all dangers.

Because the LORD’S word and promises is true and unchangeable He will perform it and preserve the poor from all wicked generation.

Prov. 15:29) The LORD is far from the wicked, but He hears the prayers of the righteous.

Rom. 8:37) No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loves us.

Vs.6) and the words of the LORD are flawless, like silver purified in a crucible, like gold refined seven times.

What a contrast between the vain words of man, and the flawless words of Jehovah. **Man’s words are yea and nay, but the LORD’S words are yea and amen.**

God’s word are for truth, certainty, holiness, faithfulness, the word of the LORD are pure, and they are without any mixture of falsehood.

Prov. 30:5) every word of God is flawless: He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him.

The word “**Seven**” in the scriptures denotes a complete or perfect number, and is often used to denote frequency.

**Vs.7) You, LORD, will keep the needy safe
and will protect us forever from the wicked,**

Will keep the needy safe; the persons referred to in (Ps.12:5) the poor and the needy who were suffering from the wrongs inflicted on them.

The idea is that God would guard and defend them. They are safe in His hands.

Prov. 37: 7-9) be still before the LORD and wait patiently for Him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. Vs.8) Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret—it leads only to evil. Vs.9) For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the land.

Prov. 18:10) The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

Pro. 18: 17) God's mercy delivers us and protects us from our enemies.

**Vs.8) who freely strut about
when what is vile is honored by the human race.**

They freely strut about; they fill all places, and go about boldly and securely, seeking to deceive, corrupt, and destroy others, being neither afraid nor ashamed of themselves.

1ST.Pet. 5:8) be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

Vileness is honored by the human race; when all manner of wickedness, lying, slandering, profaneness, oppression, cruelty and the like, instead of being punished and suppressed, are encouraged by those that is in high places and those that is in power.

Prov. 17:15) He that justifies the wicked, and he that condemns the just, both of them alike are an abomination to the LORD.

Ps. 65: 7) God is the one who stills the turmoil of the nations.