

Psalm 49

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 To the chief Musician. Of the sons of Korah. A Psalm. Hear this, all ye peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world:
2 Both men of low and men of high degree, rich and poor alike. **3** My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding: **4** I will incline mine ear to a parable, I will open my riddle upon the harp. **5** Wherefore should I fear in the days of adversity, when the iniquity of my supplanters encompasseth me? --

6 They depend upon their wealth, and boast themselves in the abundance of their riches. ... **7** None can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him, **8** (For the redemption of their soul is costly, and must be given up for ever,) **9** That he should still live perpetually, and not see corruption. **10** For he seeth that wise men die; all alike, the fool and the brutish perish, and they leave their wealth to others. **11** Their inward thought is, that their houses are for ever, their dwelling-places from generation to generation: they call the lands after their own names. **12** Nevertheless, man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish. **13** This their way is their folly, yet they that come after them delight in their sayings. Selah. **14** Like sheep are they laid in Sheol: Death feedeth on them; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their comeliness shall be for Sheol to consume, that there be no habitation for them.

15 But God will redeem my soul from the power of Sheol: for he will receive me. Selah. **16** Be not afraid when a man becometh rich, when the glory of his house is increased: **17** For when he dieth, he shall carry nothing away; his glory shall not descend after him. **18** Though he blessed his soul in his lifetime, --and men will praise thee when thou doest well to thyself, -- **19** It shall go to the generation of his fathers: they shall never see light. **20** Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish.