

PSALM

# 38 In wrath do not rebuke me, LORD

Dm Gm Dm A7 Dm C F A7 D° A

1 In wrath do not re - buke me, LORD, or in your an - ger chas - ten me.  
 2 Be - cause your an - ger rests on me, my bod - y has no health with - in;  
 3 My guilt has o - ver - whelmed my soul; its bur - den is a crush - ing weight.

Dm Am E7 Am Dm A7 Dm Gm Dm A7 Dm

Your ar - rows deep - ly pierce my soul; your hand lies on me heav - i - ly.  
 there is no sound - ness in my bones, be - cause you judge me for my sin.  
 My wounds are foul and fes - ter - ing, be - cause my fool - ish - ness is great.

4 I am bowed down, I am brought low,  
 and I go mourning all the day.  
 My back is filled with searing pain,  
 and my whole body wastes away.

5 I'm feeble and completely crushed;  
 in anguish of my heart I groan.  
 LORD, my desires before you lie;  
 to you my sighing is well known.

6 My heart beats wildly, strength has failed,  
 the light has faded from my eye.  
 My friends and neighbours keep away;  
 they see my wounds and then pass by.

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- 7 My enemies who seek my life  
with cunning set their snares for me;  
my foes conspire to do me harm,  
and all day long plot treachery.
- 8 I'm like the deaf, who cannot hear,  
and like the mute, who cannot cry.  
I'm like a man who hears no sound,  
whose mouth can offer no reply.
- 9 I wait for you, O LORD my God;  
and you, O LORD, will answer me.  
I prayed to you, "If my foot slips,  
let them not gloat exultantly."
- 10 Indeed I am about to fall;  
my pain is ever deep within.  
I must confess iniquity,  
and I am troubled by my sin.
- 11 My foes are vigorous and strong;  
and many hate me wrongfully.  
My good with evil they repay;  
when I seek good, they slander me.
- 12 O LORD, do not abandon me;  
do not be far from me, my God.  
Come quickly to deliver me  
because you are my Saviour, LORD.