

PSALM

59 From foes and all who threaten me

Em C D<sup>7</sup> G D G Am<sup>7</sup> D

1 From foes and all who threat-en me, O God, be my de - fence.  
 2 I have not done them an - y wrong, yet they pre - pare to fight.  
 3 At eve-ning they re - turn a - gain; they snarl like dogs at bay.

G C D G A<sup>7</sup> D G Am<sup>7</sup> Em

Save me from e - vil - do - ers' hands and men of vi - o - lence.  
 A - rise to help me in my need; take no - tice of my plight.  
 They prowl a - bout the cit - y gates, still hun - gry for their prey.

Em Bm Em (G) Am D G C D

See how they lie in wait for me! Fe - ro - cious men com - bine  
 LORD God Al - might - y, rouse your - self; come, God of Is - ra - el,  
 See what they spew out from their mouths! Look! from their lips come swords!

G C Am G A<sup>7</sup> D G Am<sup>7</sup> Em

a - gainst me, LORD, for no of - fence or sin - ful deed of mine.  
 to judge the na - tions and spare none who wick - ed - ly re - bel.  
 With e - vil mind they laugh and say, "Who now can hear our words?"

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- 4 But you, O LORD, will laugh at them;  
those nations you deride.  
I watch for you, my loving God,  
my strength, in whom I hide.  
My God will come and give me help;  
in triumph I will sing  
before all those who slander me,  
O Lord, our shield and king.
- 5 But lest my people should forget,  
slay not my foes outright.  
Cause them to wander aimlessly;  
defeat them by your might.  
Reward the evil of their lips,  
the words of their own mouths;  
let them be captured by their pride,  
their curses and untruths.
- 6 Consume them till they are no more;  
in anger lay them low.  
That God rules over Israel  
all distant lands will know.  
At evening they return again;  
like dogs they snarl and growl.  
They roam about the town for food  
and, finding none, they howl.
- 7 But in the morning I will praise  
your strength and loving care,  
because you are my strong defence,  
my refuge from despair.  
O God, you are my only strength;  
to you I will sing praise.  
You are my fortress and my rock,  
my loving God always.