

Talking to God:
Making Your
Case to God

Psalm 35



***Martin
Luther***



***John
Calvin***

*Plead my cause, O
LORD, with those who
strive with me;
Fight against those
who fight against me.*

Psalm 35:1

***Take hold of shield
and buckler,
And stand up for my
help.***

Psalm 35:2

*Also draw out the
spear,
And stop those who
pursue me.
Say to my soul,
“I am your salvation.”*

Psalm 35:3

The Psalms
teach us to

look to the Lord

to defend us

*Let those be put to shame
and brought to dishonor
Who seek after my life;
Let those be turned back
and brought to confusion
Who plot my hurt.*

Psalm 35:4

*Let them be like chaff
before the wind,
And let the angel of the
LORD chase them.*

Psalm 35:5

*Let their way be dark and
slippery,
And let the angel of the
LORD pursue them.*

Psalm 35:6

*For without cause they
have hidden their net
for me in a pit,
Which they have dug
without cause for my
life.*

Psalm 35:7

The Psalms
teach us that
God will right
the wrongs

*Let destruction come upon
him unexpectedly,
And let his net that he has
hidden catch himself;
Into that very destruction
let him fall.*

Psalm 35:8

*And my soul shall be
joyful in the LORD;
It shall rejoice in His
salvation.*

Psalm 35:10

*All my bones shall say,
“LORD, who is like
You,*

*Delivering the poor
from him who is too
strong for him,
Yes, the poor and the
needy from him who
plunders him?"*

Psalm 35:10

The Psalms
teach us
to thank God

***Fierce witnesses rise
up;***

***They ask me things
that I do not know.***

Psalm 35:11

*They reward me evil
for good,
To the sorrow of my
soul.*

Psalm 35:12

*But as for me, when they
were sick,*

*My clothing was sackcloth;
I humbled myself with
fasting;*

*And my prayer would
return to my own heart.*

Psalm 35:13

*I paced about as though he
were my friend or brother;
I bowed down heavily, as
one who mourns for his
mother.*

Psalm 35:14

*But in my adversity they
rejoiced And gathered
together; Attackers
gathered against me,
And I did not know it;
They tore at me and did
not cease;*

Psalm 35:15

*With ungodly mockers at
feasts*

*They gnashed at me with
their teeth.*

Psalm 35:16

*Lord, how long will
You look on?
Rescue me from their
destructions,
My precious life from
the lions.*

Psalm 35:17

*I will give You thanks in the
great assembly;
I will praise You among
many people.*

Psalm 35:18

*Let them not rejoice over
me who are wrongfully my
enemies;*

*Nor let them wink with the
eye who hate me without a
cause.*

Psalm 35:19

*For they do not speak
peace,
But they devise
deceitful matters
Against the quiet ones
in the land.*

Psalm 35:20

*They also opened their
mouth wide against me,
And said, “Aha, aha!
Our eyes have seen it.”*

Psalm 35:21

This You have seen, O

LORD;

Do not keep silence.

*O Lord, do not be far
from me.*

Psalm 35:22

***Stir up Yourself, and
awake to my vindication,
To my cause, my God
and my Lord.***

Psalm 35:23

***Vindicate me, O LORD
my God, according to
Your righteousness;
And let them not rejoice
over me.***

Psalm 35:24

*Let them not say in
their hearts, “Ah, so
we would have it!”*

*Let them not say, “We
have swallowed him
up.”*

Psalm 35:25

***Let them be ashamed
and brought to mutual
confusion
Who rejoice at my
hurt;***

*Let them be clothed
with shame and
dishonor*

*Who exalt themselves
against me.*

Psalm 35:26

***Let them shout for joy and
be glad,
Who favor my righteous
cause;
And let them say
continually,***

***“Let the LORD be
magnified,
Who has pleasure in
the prosperity of His
servant.”***

Psalm 35:27

*And my tongue shall
speak of Your
righteousness
And of Your praise all
the day long.*

Psalm 35:28