

sacrifices of righteousness), with olah (burnt offering) and whole burnt offering; then shall they offer parim (bulls) upon Thine Mizbe'ach.

[T.N. This Psalm, Ps 51, teaches the doctrine of Chet Kadmon from which comes the seminal corrupting human condition necessitating hitkhdshut for all fallen Bnei Adam]

52 (For the one directing. A maskil of Dovid. When Doeg HaAdomi [the Edomite] went to Sha'ul and said to him, Dovid has gone to Bais Achimelech).

Why boastest thou thyself in ra'ah, O gibbor? The chesed El is kol hayom.

|2(4)| The leshon (tongue) deviseth treachery; like a sharp ta'ar (razor), working remiyyah (deceit).

|3(5)| Thou lovest rah more than tov; and sheker rather than to speak tzedek. Selah.

|4(6)| Thou lovest all devouring words, O thou leshon mirmah (deceitful tongue).

|5(7)| El shall likewise demolish thee for netzach (eternity), He shall break thee, and pluck thee out of thy ohel, and uproot thee out of the Eretz Chayyim. Selah.

|6(8)| The tzaddikim also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:

|7(9)| Hinei, this is the gever (man) that made not Elohim his ma'oz; but trusted in the abundance of his osher (riches), and strengthened himself in his treachery.

|8(10)| But I am like a green zayit (olive tree) in the Beis Elohim; I trust in the chesed Elohim olam va'ed.

|9(11)| I will give Thee thanks l'olam, because Thou hast done it; and I will wait on Shimecha; for it is tov before Thy chasidim.

53 (For the one directing. According to ma'alot. Maskil of Dovid). The naval (fool) hath said in his lev, Ein Elohim (There is no G-d). Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity; there is none that doeth tov.

|2|(3) Elohim looked down from Shomayim upon Bnei Adam, to see if there were any of seichel, that did seek Elohim.

|3|(4) Every one of them has fallen away; they are altogether perverse; there is none that doeth tov, no, not echad (one).

|4|(5) Have the workers of iniquity no da'as? Who eat up My people as they eat lechem; they have not called upon Elohim.

|5|(6) There were they in great pachad (fear), pachad such as never was; for Elohim hath scattered the atzmot of him that encampeth against thee; thou [Yisroel] hast put them to shame, because Elohim hath rejected them.

|6|(7) Oh that the Yeshuat Yisroel would come out of Tziyon! When Elohim bringeth back the captivity of Amo (His people), Ya'akov shall rejoice, and Yisroel shall be glad.

54 (For the director. With stringed instruments. A maskil. For Dovid, when the Ziphim came and said to Sha'ul, Dovid is in hiding among us.) Hoshieini (save me), O Elohim, by Shimecha, and vindicate me by Thy gevurah (might, power).

|2(4)| Hear my tefillah, O Elohim; give ear to the words of my mouth.

|3(5)| For zarim (strangers) are risen up against me, and

oppressors seek after my nefesh; they have not set Elohim before them. Selah.

|4(6)| Hinei, Elohim is mine Ozer (helper); Adonoi is with them that uphold my nefesh.

|5(7)| He shall recompense the rah (evil) unto mine enemies; in Thy emes cut them off.

|6(8)| I will sacrifice a nedavah (freewill offering) unto Thee; I will praise Shimecha, Hashem; for it is tov (good).

|7(9)| For He hath delivered me out of all my tzoros; and mine eye hath looked in triumph upon mine oyevim (enemies.)

55 (For the one directing. With Neginos. Maskil of Dovid)

Give ear to my tefillah, O Elohim; and veil not Thyself from my techinnah (supplication).

|2(3)| Attend unto me, and hear me; I wander restlessly in my si'ach (anxiety), and aloud I groan;

|3(4)| Because of the voice of the oyev (enemy), because of the oppression of the rasha (evildoer); for they cast aven (iniquity) upon me, and in af (wrath, anger) cherish their malice against me.

|4(5)| My lev writhes within me; and the terrors of mavet are fallen upon me.

|5(6)| Yirah va'ra'ad (fear and trembling) are come upon me, and pallatzut (horror, shuddering) overwhelmed me.

|6(7)| And I said, Oh that I had wings like a yonah! For then would I fly away and be at rest.

|7(8)| Hinei, then would I flee far off and lodge in the midbar. Selah.

|8(9)| I would hasten to my place of shelter from