

# Psalm 25

- A Prayers for relief from chastisement
- B Prayers and promises for teaching in the Lord's way
- C Prayers for forgiveness

| Normal Acrostic | Actual Acrostic | Chiasm | Verse   |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------|---|
| aleph           | aleph           |        | 1 To you, O Yahweh, I will lift up my soul.   |
| beth            | aleph           | A      | 2 O my God, I trust in you;<br>Let me not be ashamed;<br>Let not my enemies exult over me.  |
| gimel           | gimel           |        | 3 Also, let no one who waits on you be ashamed;<br>Let those be ashamed who deal treacherously without cause.   |
| daleth          | daleth          |        | 4 Cause me to know your ways, O Yahweh;<br>Teach me your paths.   |
| he              | he              | B      | 5 Lead me in your truth and teach me,<br>For you are the God of my salvation;<br>On you I wait all the day.   |
| waw             | zayin           |        | 6 Remember your mercies, O Yahweh, and your lovingkindnesses,<br>For they are from of old.  |
| zayin           | heth            | C      | 7 The sins of my youth and my transgressions remember not;<br>According to your lovingkindness remember me,<br>For the sake of your goodness, O Yahweh. |
| heth            | teth            |        | 8 Good and upright is Yahweh;<br>Therefore he will instruct sinners in the way.   |
| teth            | yod             | B      | 9 He will guide the meek in judgment,<br>And he will teach the meek his way.  |
| yod             | kaph            |        | 10 All the paths of Yahweh are lovingkindness and truth,<br>To those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.   |
| kaph            | lamed           | C      | 11 For the sake of your name, O Yahweh,<br>Forgive my iniquity, for it is great.  |
| lamed           | mem             |        | 12 Who is that man who fears Yahweh?<br>He will instruct him in the way he will choose.   |
| mem             | nun             | B      | 13 His soul in good will abide,<br>And his offspring will inherit the earth.  |
| nun             | samek           |        | 14 The secret counsel of Yahweh is with those who fear him,<br>And he will cause them to know his covenant.   |
| samek           | ayin            |        | 15 My eyes are continually toward the Yahweh,<br>For he will bring my feet out of the net.  |

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| ayin   | pe     | C | 16 | Turn to me, and be gracious to me,<br>For desolate and afflicted am I.               |
| pe     | tzaddi |   | 17 | The troubles of my heart have enlarged;<br>From my distresses bring me!              |
| tzaddi | resh   |   | 18 | See my affliction and my toil,<br>And bear all my sins.                              |
| qoph   | resh   | A | 19 | See my enemies, for they are many;<br>And with violent hatred they hate me.          |
| resh   | shin   |   | 20 | Preserve my soul and deliver me;<br>Let me not be ashamed, for I take refuge in you. |
| shin   | tau    |   | 21 | Let integrity and uprightness keep me,<br>For I wait for you.                        |
| tau    | pe     |   | 22 | Redeem Israel, O God,<br>From all his troubles!                                      |

