

Psalms 64 A Psalm of David
King James Version (KJV)

64 Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

²Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity: (*Absalom's rebellion*)

³Who whet their tongue like a sword, and bend their bows to shoot their arrows, even bitter words: (*whet= sharpen*) (*bitter= hurtful*)

⁴That they may shoot in secret at the perfect: suddenly do they shoot at him, and fear not. (*perfect= upright, morally pious, mature*)

⁵They encourage themselves in an evil matter: they commune of laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them? (*evil matter= evil words, rumors*) (*commune= count*)

⁶They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search: both the inward thought of every one of them, and the heart, is deep. (*diligent search= deceitful tricks – bad translation*) (*They search deep in their heart to deceive*)

⁷But God shall shoot at them with an arrow; suddenly shall they be wounded.

⁸So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all that see them shall flee away. (*their evil plots will become their own demise*) (*flee away= wag the head, ridicule*)

⁹And all men shall fear, and shall declare the work of God; for they shall wisely consider of his doing. (*fear also means revere*)

¹⁰The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in heart shall glory.

To the chief musician

This Psalm talks of redemption of the righteous