

Psalm 41 (NIV)

For the director of music. A psalm of David.

- ¹ Blessed are those who have regard for the weak;
the LORD delivers them in times of trouble.
- ² The LORD protects and preserves them—
they are counted among the blessed in the land—
he does not give them over to the desire of their foes.
- ³ The LORD sustains them on their sickbed
and restores them from their bed of illness.
- ⁴ I said, “Have mercy on me, LORD;
heal me, for I have sinned against you.”
- ⁵ My enemies say of me in malice,
“When will he die and his name perish?”
- ⁶ When one of them comes to see me,
he speaks falsely, while his heart gathers slander;
then he goes out and spreads it around.
- ⁷ All my enemies whisper together against me;
they imagine the worst for me, saying,
- ⁸ “A vile disease has afflicted him;
he will never get up from the place where he lies.”
- ⁹ Even my close friend,
someone I trusted,
one who shared my bread,
has turned^[b] against me.
- ¹⁰ But may you have mercy on me, LORD;
raise me up, that I may repay them.
- ¹¹ I know that you are pleased with me,
for my enemy does not triumph over me.

¹² Because of my integrity you uphold me
and set me in your presence forever.

¹³ Praise be to the LORD, the God of Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting.

Amen and Amen.