

Psalm 109, The Right Hand Of The Poor

To the overseer (choir director), a Psalm of David.

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Esus E
The LORD is at the right hand of the poor, to save him from the ones who judge his soul

Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
O God of my praise, please do not be silent,
Em D/F# G D Bm Em
Because the mouth of wickedness, and the mouth of deceit,
Em D Bm Em Em add2 Em
Have opened up to speak against me, with lying tongues and hateful words.
Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
They have encompassed me round about, they fight against me for no reason.
Em D/F# G D Bm Em
And for my love they accuse me, and yet I am in prayer for them!
Em D Bm Em
Repaying me with evil for my good, and hatred in return for my love.

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Esus E
The LORD is at the right hand of the poor, to save him from the ones who judge his soul

Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
You set over him an evil one, an accuser to stand at his right hand.
Em D/F# G D Bm Em
So he'll come out guilty when he is judged, his prayer is made an offence.
Em D Bm Em Em add2 Em
His days are few, another takes his office; his sons are fatherless, his wife a widow.
Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
His sons always roaming and begging, and they will ever seek in barren places.
Em D/F# G D Bm Em
A creditor shall plunder all that he owns, and strangers shall plunder all he worked for.
Em D Bm Em
He'll have not a one extending kindness, nor any showing favor to his orphans.

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Esus E
The LORD is at the right hand of the poor, to save him from the ones who judge his soul

Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
For his posterity shall be cut off, his name be erased in coming ages.
Em D/F# G D Bm Em
His fathers' sins remembered by the LORD, his mothers' sins are not erased.
Em D Bm Em Em add2 Em
They are before the LORD continually, so He will cut them off from earth's memory.
Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
For he did not remember to show kindness, and he pursued the poor and the needy,
Em D/F# G D Bm Em
And those discouraged within their heart, he sought them out so as to slay them,
Em D Bm Em
He loves to curse and so it comes to him; he hates to bless and so it is far from him.

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Esus E
The LORD is at the right hand of the poor, to save him from the ones who judge his soul

Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
 For cursing he wears like a robe, like water in his innards, oil within his bones.
 Em D/F# G D Bm Em
 His clothing with which he hides himself, the belt with which he always binds himself.
 Em D Bm Em Em add2 Em
 The wage of my accusers from the LORD, of those who speak against my soul for harm.
 Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
 O LORD my Lord, deal kindly for Your name's sake; Your love is great, so please deliver me.
 Em D/F# G D Bm Em
 For I am poor and needy, my heart has been pierced within me.
 Em D Bm Em
 Departing as a shadow when it stretches out, I have been swept away like a locust.

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Esus E
 The LORD is at the right hand of the poor, to save him from the ones who judge his soul

Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
 My knees become feeble from my fasting; my flesh has been denied of its fatness.
 Em D/F# G D Bm Em
 I have become to them as a reproach; and when they look at me they shake their head.
 Em D Bm Em Em add2 Em
 Please help me, O LORD my God; and save me, according to Your love.
 Em D/F# G D Bm C CM7
 O LORD, may they know it is from Your hand; that You are the one who has done this.
 Em D/F# G D Bm Em
 So let them curse while You bless; they'll rise to shame while Your servant sings.
 Em D Bm Em
 My accusers put on shame and are covered, their shame has become their robe.

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Em
 I thank the LORD greatly with my mouth, and in the midst of many I will praise Him,

Em D Am Bm Em Am7 Bm7 Esus E
 The LORD is at the right hand of the poor, to save him from the ones who judge his soul