



## 36 *For the choir director: A psalm of David, the servant of the LORD.*

- 1 Sin whispers to the wicked, deep within their hearts.\*  
They have no fear of God at all.
- 2 In their blind conceit,  
they cannot see how wicked they really are.
- 3 Everything they say is crooked and deceitful.  
They refuse to act wisely or do good.
- 4 They lie awake at night, hatching sinful plots.  
Their actions are never good.  
They make no attempt to turn from evil.
- 5 Your unfailing love, O LORD, is as vast as the heavens;  
your faithfulness reaches beyond the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,  
your justice like the ocean depths.  
You care for people and animals alike, O LORD.
- 7 How precious is your unfailing love, O God!  
All humanity finds shelter  
in the shadow of your wings.
- 8 You feed them from the abundance of your own house,  
letting them drink from your river of delights.
- 9 For you are the fountain of life,  
the light by which we see.
- 10 Pour out your unfailing love on those who love you;  
give justice to those with honest hearts.
- 11 Don't let the proud trample me  
or the wicked push me around.
- 12 Look! Those who do evil have fallen!  
They are thrown down, never to rise again.

## 37\* *A psalm of David.*

- 1 Don't worry about the wicked  
or envy those who do wrong.
- 2 For like grass, they soon fade away.  
Like spring flowers, they soon wither.
- 3 Trust in the LORD and do good.  
Then you will live safely in the land and prosper.
- 4 Take delight in the LORD,  
and he will give you your heart's desires.
- 5 Commit everything you do to the LORD.  
Trust him, and he will help you.
- 6 He will make your innocence radiate like the dawn,  
and the justice of your cause will shine like the  
noonday sun.
- 7 Be still in the presence of the LORD,  
and wait patiently for him to act.  
Don't worry about evil people who prosper  
or fret about their wicked schemes.

**36:1** As in some Hebrew manuscripts and Syriac version, which read *in his heart*. Masoretic Text reads *in my heart*. **37** This psalm is a Hebrew acrostic poem; each stanza begins with a successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet.



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