1 The king shall rejoice in your strength, O Lord; how greatly shall he rejoice in your salvation!

2 You have given him his heart’s desire and have not denied the request of his lips.

3 For you come to meet him with blessings of goodness and set a crown of pure gold upon his head.

4 He asked of you life and you gave it him, length of days, for ever and ever.

5 His honour is great because of your salvation; glory and majesty have you laid upon him.

6 You have granted him everlasting felicity and will make him glad with joy in your presence.

7 For the king puts his trust in the Lord; because of the loving-kindness of the Most High, he shall not be overthrown.

8 Your hand shall mark down all your enemies; your right hand will find out those who hate you.

9 You will make them like a fiery oven in the time of your wrath; the Lord will swallow them up in his anger and the fire will consume them.
10 Their fruit you will root out of the land and their seed from among its inhabitants.

11 Because they intend evil against you and devise wicked schemes which they cannot perform,

12 You will put them to flight when you aim your bow at their faces.

13 Be exalted, O Lord, in your own might; we will make music and sing of your power.

Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, material from which is included here, is copyright © The Archbishops' Council 2000 and published by Church House Publishing.

Related Resources

Texts and Resources for A Service of the Word

Main Volume

Buy the Book

Common Worship: Main Volume is available from Church House Publishing.

Download the Reflections on the Psalms app